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Barnstaple, June 1st, 1876.

JAMES BOSSON, Secretary.

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Play will commence on the first day at II o'clock; and according to arrangement between the Captains on the second day.

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N.B.—The whole of the available space having been filled up, no further applications for carriage or enclosure tickets can be entertained.

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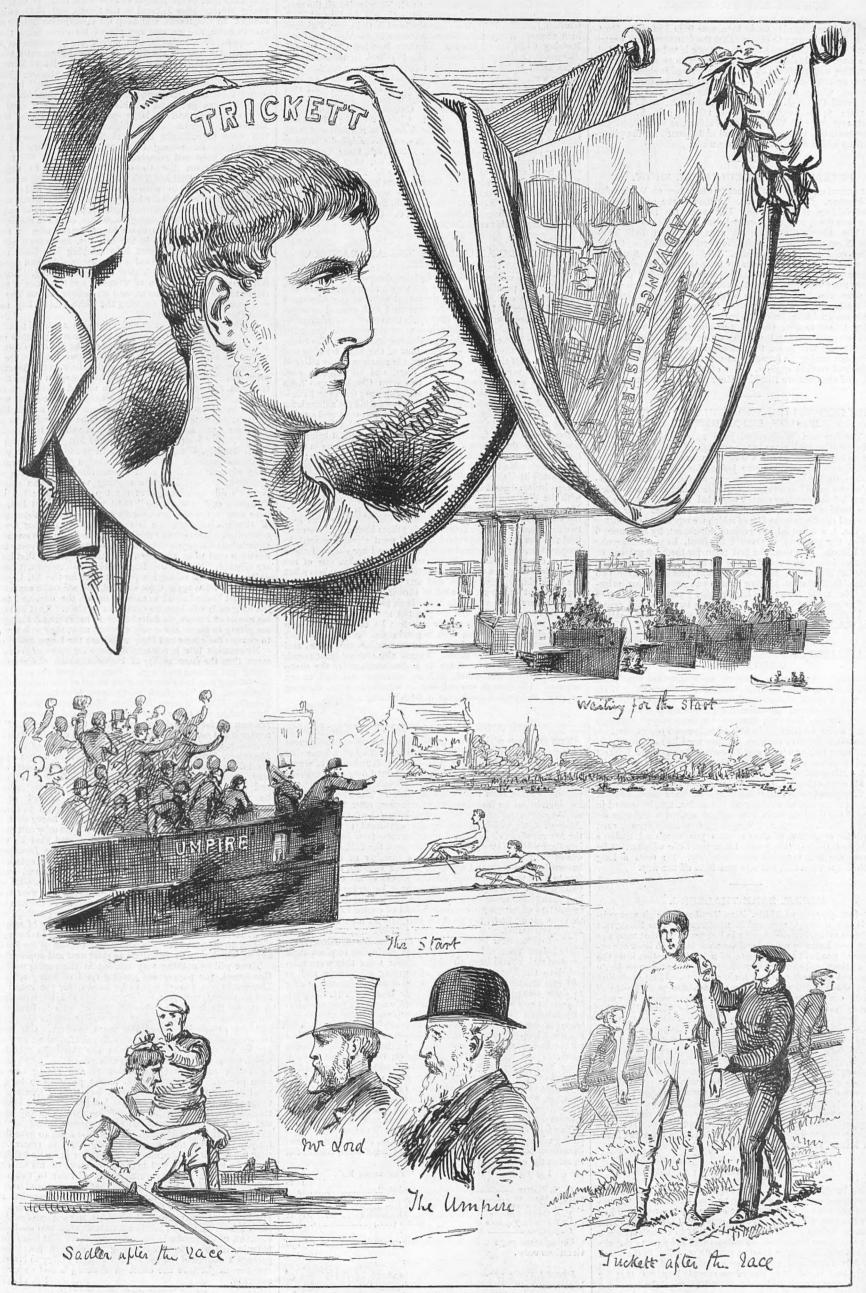
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THE SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

OUR PICTURES AND SKETCHES.

LONDON AND FRANKFORT.

On another page, we give a sketch of the crew that defeated "Frankfort" on Saturday week in a race from Putney to Mortlake. It is unnecessary to observe that the Germans were beaten from end to end. Nevertheless, their pluck is to be commended, and we have no doubt when next they put in an appearance at Putney, they will, profiting by the lesson learned in defeat, render a better account of themselves—and their more accomplished adversaries, whose names, places in the boat, and respective weights, read thus:—I. C. H. Warren, 11st 2lb; 2. F. L. Playford, 12st; 3. S. Le Blanc Smith, 11st 2lb; F. S. Gulston (stroke), 11st 10lb; V. Weston (cox.) (with extra weight), 9st 5lb. We are indebted to Messrs. Barraud and Jerrard for the photograph from which our sketch has been made.

PETERBORO' AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The annual exhibition of the society took place on Wednesday and Thursday, June 28 and 29. "Although the show clashed with exhibitions at Boston and Doncaster, the attendance of visitors was good, and the entries larger than in any previous year. The Marquis of Exeter's roan shorthorn bull Telemachus IX. was defeated by a splendid shorthorn belonging to Mr. Dudding, of Panton, Lincolnshire. Mr. Dudding's Blooming Bride, whose portrait we give, also took the blue ribbon in the class for cows. Mr. T. Fullard Thorney took the first prize for the best mare and foal at foot—No. 209. Of this roan seven-years mare, and foal of twelve weeks, we also give sketches. Mr. Hornsby, of Grantham, took a first prize for best hunter, with his brown horse Jericho, who was placed third at Boston the day before to Mr. Oswald Spafford's Stockport, whose portrait we give amongst the Boston exhibits. The show of implements was very large, the eminent firm of Messrs. Barford and Perkins having an immense display of traction, ploughing, portable, and vertical engines. The other prize takers shown in our page of sketches are Blushing Rose and General Fusee.

THE HORSE, DOG, AND POULTRY SHOW AT BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, June 27 and 28, the seventh annual exhibition took place in the grounds of Jno. Oldred, Esq., J.P., who kindly granted the use of them for the occasion. Mr. E. Catling and Mr. Nainby were judges for the horses, and W. Lort, Esq., for the dogs. The jumping arrangements, we understand, were a great improvement on those of last year; but owing to a want of the courtesy usually accorded to the Press, we are not in a position to speak from our own knowledge. Our artist took several sketches, some few of which we reproduce on another page. No. 1, a splendid bay gelding, Stockport, by Stockton, 6 years old, the property of Oswald Spafford, Esq., of Navenby Heath, Lincoln. He took the first prize for the best gelding or mare shown in saddle, over 15 hands 1in high. He also took the first prize at Newark in May last, and had previously taken two first prizes in Yorkshire, beating Jester and several other prizetakers. No. 2, Mr. Sharples's Lauderdale, 7 years old. We give on another page sketches made at the show by our special artist, of Mr. J. Fletcher's pointer dog and the same gentleman's setter, both of which took prizes.

THE AQUATIC CHAMPIONSHIP OF ENGLAND AND AUSTRALIA.

This great aquatic event came off on Wednesday last, when Edward Trickett, from Australia, succeeded in vanquishing J. H. Sadler, the English champion, this being the first time that any challenger from abroad has defeated any representative of Britain. The championship, however, remains "in the family;" although it has left home, no stranger in blood has lowered our colours.

Of the antecedents of the men, nothing need be said on this occasion, Sadler being so well and favourably known, and Trickett not having given any line by which his capabilities could be gauged. His great height, 6ft 3in, with an enormous forward reach, at once attracted observation on his arrival at Putney, where they pronounced him "weedy," and shook their heads at his evident ignorance of the use of the slider, and he started in the race at the shortest odds ever offered against a stranger on meeting a British champion. Weighing, very finely drawn, 12st, and with the advantage of eleven years youth, against Sadler's rost 1lb, and thirty-seven years, there was little wonder that he was from the first regarded apprehensively. He rows a long clean stroke, not too fast, but one that lasts all the way.

MDLLE. ZARE THALBERG.

The first portrait of Mdlle. Zare Thalberg, which was published in this country, appeared in the Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News of April 3 in last year. At that time she had not been heard in public, and we were forced to limit our expressions of goodwill to assurances of a kind reception from the English public, with whom her illustrious father was so justly popular, and to genuine wishes for her success. How great that success proved, and how brilliant was her début as Zerlina in Il Don Giovanni will be found recorded in our columns. Her subsequent successes in the rôles of Cherubino (Le Nozze di Figaro), Zerlina (Fra Diavolo), Lady Henrietta (Martha), and Adina (L'Elistre d'Amore) have also been duly noted; and we have observed with satisfaction that this youthful artiste has not only developed great increase of vocal power, combined with richness and brilliancy of quality, but has also cultivated flexibility, and has made great progress in her execution of florid music. To style her a completely finished artist would be absurd. A prima donna of eighteen is still a child, and must have much to learn; but, at all events, she is even now better worth hearing than some of the prime donne who were "finished" years ago, and she bids fair to become the greatest artist of the present generation. It is with great pleasure that we publish her portrait in stage attire as Cherubino in Mozart's Nozze di Figaro.

HENLEY.

Having been last week prevented from dealing with the Ascot (or Goodwood) of aquatics, owing to our having to go to press ere complete news of even the result of the preliminary heats had reached London, we take the present opportunity of supplying the omission by briefly chronicling the names of this year's winners. For the rest, those benighted individuals who have yet to become acquainted with inimitable Henley, may do so, aided by the pencil of Mr. Furniss, whose comprehensive efforts will be found on another page. It should be placed on record, however, that for the first time for years it did not rain at Henley. The sun shone unremittingly on more than the usual complement of picnicing visitors. Almost every edible and drinkable in the place was consumed. The "rough" element was not conspicuously unpleasant, if the equestrian was, and the racing produced plenty of excitement. But "to our muttons." Hereuntowe append a record

of the final heats, and the results of the rest of Friday's programme:—Grand Challenge Cup.—Thames Rowing Club, first; Jesus College, Cambridge B.C., second; Oxford University and Brasenose College Amalgamation, third. Thames led all the way, and won by a length. Silver Goblets.—S. le B. Smith and F. S. Gulston, London, first; A. E. Campbell and R. G. Davey, Twickenham, second. Won easily. Toun Challenge Cup—Abingdon Town Rowing Club, first; Marlow Amateur Rowing Club, second. Diamond Challenge Sculls.—F. L. Playford, London Rowing Club, first; R. H. Labat, Thames Rowing Club, second. Won all the way. Labat "game" to the finish. Thames Challenge Cup.—West London Rowing Club, first; London Rowing Club, second. Won by a length clear. Visitors' Challenge Cup.—University College, Oxford, Boat Club, first; Trinity College, Dublin, Boat Club, second; Brasenose College, Oxford, Boat Club, disq. A series of mishaps and fouls, leading to the disqualification of Brasenose. Ladies' Challenge Plate.—Jesus College, Cambridge, Boat Club, first; Caius College, Cambridge, Boat Club, second. Won, after a punishing race, by a quarter of a length. Stewards' Challenge Cup.—London Rowing Club, first; Thames Rowing Club, disq. Two fouls; the race given to London on the second. Wyfold Challenge Cup.—West London Rowing Club, first; London Rowing Club, second; Thames Rowing Club, o. Chiefly remarkable for bad steering. This ends the record.

SHEEP-DOG TRIALS AT THE ALEXANDRA PALACE.

The useful services rendered by the sheep-dog are truly remarkable and peculiar, and their sagacity and training were well thought of in connection with the recent show at the Alexandra Palace last week; but in the management and general arrangement many opportunities for displaying the colley's varied acquirements and wonderful intelligence were overlooked, the trials being at the best comparatively partial and imperfect. The trials being at the best comparatively partial and imperfect. The trials being at the best comparatively partial and imperfect. The trials, however, gave the public no mean idea of the high training and cleverness. Of the show-bench dogs, the nineteen in the all-aged stakes were very ordinary-looking dogs, and all small in size. There were several London dogs, two from Cheshire, two from the fells of Westmoreland, but the majority were from the Principality. All attempts to get information respecting the antecedents of the latter dogs only resulted in a volley of gutturals, and a polite "dem Sassenach." The plan of action was to let loose three sheep from a small fold near the crest of the hill, it being the dog's duty to drive them about half a mile, and pen them in some hurdles. The clumps of shrubs and the numerous buildings that stud the grounds added to the difficulties of the task, and luck, as an element made itself strongly felt; some of those that failed to pen their sheep displayed great cleverness and patience. This was specially so with the Westmoreland bitch Blenk and the champion Handy. Mr. Robert Roberts's small black bitch Nell was unfortunate, the sheep breaking from her in different directions, so that in a twenty minutes' trial she failed to bring them home. In a second trial she was equally unsuccessful. Nell went about her work in proper style, making a good wide sweep round her sheep. Laddie was a complete failure. Blenk was very unlucky, one of her charge breaking in a different direction to her companions; but the bitch showed great tact, and was quiet and careful

THE ANGLO-TEUTON BOAT RACE.

The amateurs of the old country once more proved their great superiority in athletic exercises by the easy victory of a somewhat heavily handicapped four of the London Rowing Club, whose portraits we give on another page, obtained over their aspiring challengers of the Frankfurter Rüder-Gesellschaft, on the championship course, from Putney to Mortlake. The Frankfort men, looking abroad for fresh worlds to conquer, after their glorious achievements on Continental waters, forgetful of the fate of the Atalanta Club, which, misled by the continued depreciation of the Metropolitan club by ex-University reporters, found out too late the calibre of its opponents, challenged the L.R.C., although one of their crew having once been a member of another well known London club, and educated in this country, ought therefore to have well understood the true nature of his countrymen's undertaking. It would have been, perhaps, better for them if they had entered for some open race at an English regatta; but their stipulation of carrying a coxswain would of course have restricted them to junior fours, too great an indignity for men with so high a local reputation.

The London men laboured under considerable disadvantages. They lacked their old No. 3, and were compelled to place their greatest weight and strength on the stroke side; they were relegated to the forgotten practice of carrying a coxswain, and, in addition, of being weighted 71b in excess of their opponents, owing to their own greater weight, and their boat (by J. H. Clasper), though new (and of course now practically useless), was considerably too light in the bows, causing her to suck under nastily forwards at every stroke. Their station in the race, moreover, with the wind blowing strongly off the Middlesex shore, exposed them for the first mile to the rough water, and thus materially impeded them. There was not much speculation on the event beyond some bets at first at 5 to 1 on London—odds which were afterwards in vain increased to 10 to 1, or even more, with no takers; indeed, we heard of one bet of 15 to 15s., which failed to find an acceptor, owing to the chapter of accidents, being practically barred by the condition that the umpire (Mr. E. D. Brickwood) should re-start the men if any accident affecting the race should occur. The following are the names and weights of the crews, in com-

The following are the names and weights of the crews, in comparing which the light weight of the German, No. 3, and preponderance of power on the stroke side of the Londoners, cannot fail to catch the eye:—

London R.C. | St | b | FRANKFORT R.C. | St | b | I. T. Ludwig | 10 3 2 2. F. L. Playford | 12 0 3 3 2. A. Bautze | 10 6 3 5. Le Blanc Smith | 11 2 2 5. F. S. Gulston (stroke) | 11 10 7. Weston (cox.) with extra weight | 9 5 6 7. C. | 11 10 7. C. | 11 10

On another page will be found our portrait sketches of the victorious crew.

PROMINENT amongst the presents received by the Prince of Wales, during his stay in India, now exhibited at South Kensington: are the gold and ivory casket presented by the Madras Reception Committee, the silver "Swami" tea service presented by the Guicowar of Baroda, and the magnificent suites of "Swami" jewellery made of 22 carat gold, sent as gifts to the Princess of Wales, all of which were manufactured by Messrs. Orr and Sons, of Madras.

TURFIANA.

We are glad to see Knight of the Garter doing so well with his young stock. Blue Riband in the South, and K.G. and Black Knight in the North, will keep his subscription full for many a year to come, and no one has played his cards better than Mr. Thompson, of Moorlands, who picked up Speculum for a mere old song, and has "the Knight" full every season since his settlement in Yorkshire, whose horse-loving inhabitants have railied bravely round the biggest and best of Prime Minister's sons. A shortish horse, and consequently rather "on leg" (for want of length must have its compensating balance somewhere), "the Knight" has got most of his progeny with a deal of his own character, and a large proportion of them are true Melbourne browns. It is high time that some scion of this once redoubtable house should arise to rescue his line from decay, for among its many representatives the greater part have been sad failures, commencing with West Australian, who leaves the three-cornered Joskin to supply his place. General Peel and The Earl are melancholy examples of failure, but owing to widely different reasons, and Brother to Strafford and Pell Mell are hardly likely to make great names at the stud. Poor old Mentmore goes down the vale of years, and the only rising star is Mornington, whose class as a racchorse was not sufficiently exalted to cause him to be run after by breeders. See-Saw, we observe, is in the sale list, and were it not for his suspicious hocks we cannot help thinking him likely to prove fairly successful, for his blood is unexceptionable, and most of his youngsters appear to inherit their sire's gift of going. Lord Lyon is having a capital season of winners, and has been a misused, rather than a neglected horse, and we believe that an idea was at one time entertained of securing the white footed bay to stand with Pero Gomez at Bonehill.

Stockbridge was as quiet and enjoyable as usual; but still it requires a full stable at Danebury to set things going in earnest. Mr. Brayley's brood mares marched up the hill and down again, without a single one changing hands, so we may see the young Morningtons in the familiar red and yellow yet. Alpenstock's price was absurdly low, considering his Rataplan blood and very fair form, and one or two of his class should be useful on country circuits, in preference to the mis-shapen and diseased wretches which infest some districts. Mr. Houldsworth's luck, like Mr. Merry's, seems to be on the turn just as he determines to sell off, and the chances are that his Elfin jacket will not be folded away just yet. With all that grand blood of Mr. Merry's, with which Matt. Dawson, Waugh, and Robert Peck worked such wonders, it seems strange that Green Lodge has not sent forth more winners, and there must be something rotten in the state of Denmark. Palm Flower's running with Chevron shows Mr. Gerard's filly to be nearly at the top of the tree; but Colonel Pearson's colt "curled up" most unequivocally at last, and we have always doubted whether an excess of white about the eyes of Rosicrucian's produce is not indicative of either temper or cowardice. Petrarch is taking things easily, but no one seems to know where the mysterious blister has been applied, some averring the weak spot to be his knees, and others declaring that his hocks are affected. Notwithstanding Kisber's antecedents, it cannot be quite good goods taking his present price for the St. Leger, as it is all those odds against his starting, and we quite expect to see All Heart backed again in earnest before the day, and takers of the long odds will have no cause to complain. That he ran upon his merits at Epsom we flatly refuse to believe, and though there are plenty to abuse the mealy chesnut now, they will see reason to change their tone and their tactics ere the Leger bell rings.

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Newmarket July is remarkable more for quiet al fresco enjoyment, than the stern reality of business which characterises the spring and autumn meetings. Tuesday's card was not a particularly strong one, but there was quite an air of Goodwood under the plantation, and the picnic parties were as numerous as those on Trundle Hill. Warren Hastings just shaved through for the July, but he will never ripeninto a stayer, and hisowner is right to run him out for his early engagements "to the bitter end." Covenanter is not nearly ripe as yet, but he will do Blair Athol credit some day, and Chamant is a clever looking son of the mighty Mortemer. Springfield showed what amount of weight a ripe and good three-year-old can present to a smart youngster, and the way Craven Fair spreadeagled his field was a caution, and we trust that the St. Albans colours may now be regarded as nailed to the mast, instead of being hoisted only at intervals. Mr. Gee had a capital sale, and his champagne tent was a capital idea, many a heavy shot booming forth from under the canvas. The Thormanby colt provoked endless differences of opinion, but all agreed that he was the biggest of his race ever sent up for sale. If the Dewhurst average was a good one, Mr. Waring's was a better, notwithstanding two of his best fillies having been withdrawn, owing to indisposition. The Mentmore lot were voted inferior to last year's, but Markham will hold stronger hands than ever in a year or two, when the results of Macaroni's sojourn at Crofton become apparent. King Tom, we hear, has been failing a little of late, but he has had a good innings, and leaves plenty of representatives. Mr. Barrow's yardisfull of blood-sires, and he has had no end of visitors to inspect both the inside and outside of the Batthyany flagon, which may be described as most neat and appropriate.

There will be nothing very stirring in the racing world until Goodwood, for people are getting tired of being milked over Liverpool Cups, though it is to be hoped, for the credit of the turf in general, that the Fraulein case may not be reproduced at Aintree. So far the milky-white jacket, with its bar-sinister of the jealous colour, has not shown very prominently this season, and yet people do not exhibit much concern. Our promised two-year-old flyers seem to be slow in putting in an appearance, and we are already threatened with the inevitable "back end" which seems to have set in earlier this year than usual, and indicates too surely that the zenith of the racing season has been passed. The Goodwood Stakes promises to be a really good betting race, and speculation has already assumed something more than a "Continental" aspect. Little Harry was treated as unmercifully as an Eupion Gas Company director, and the handicapper met with the usual rebuff for daring to presume that he could stay. The public seem to have declared for King Log, but there may be a King Stork in reserve, to devour the poor frogs which were so ready to jump up behind, and it may be that Æolia will take the wind out of his sails before long. Blanton has always a variety of baits to tickle public palates, and an idea has got abroad that he is favoured over much in handicaps; but this is always the case when a man has a good stable, and knows how to turn it to the best advantage. Lord Rosslyn's sale was not so well attended as the merits of his collection deserved; but a pretty accurate forecast was made in these columns, of the most eligible lots. We fancy that more than one bargain will be discovered among the cheaper purchases, and perhaps a change of the venue from Laston Lodge to Newmarket east year might have the effect of drawing a more appreciative audience.

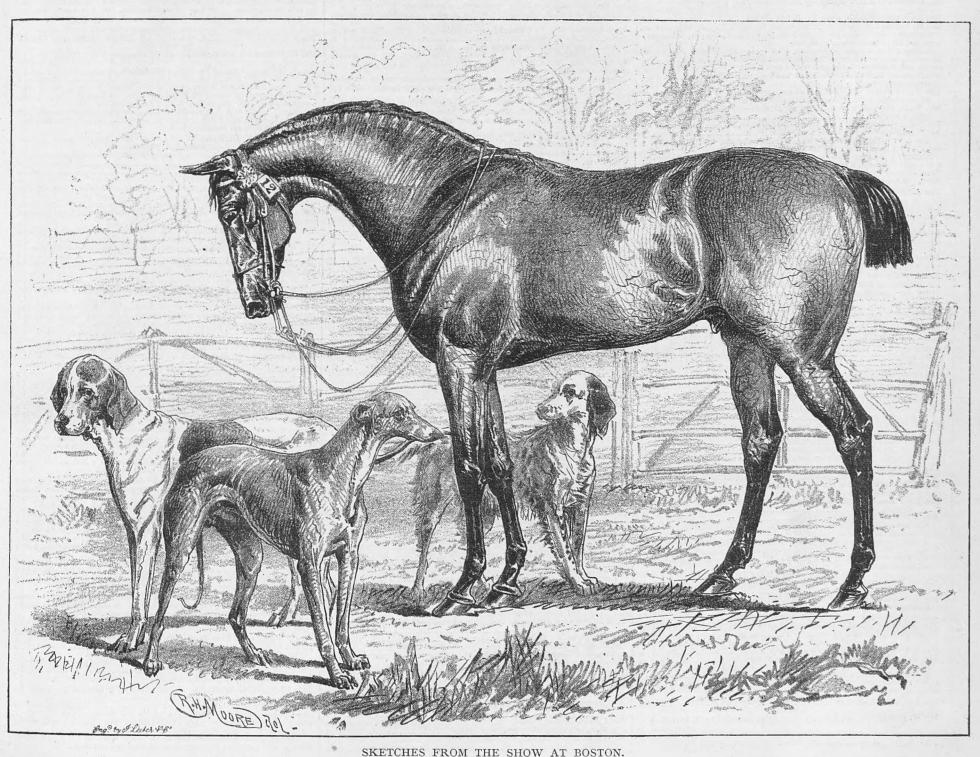
A MEETING of sanitarians and gentlemen interested in riparian property will take place on Thursday next, at two o'clock, in St. James's Hall, to consider specially the provisions of Mr. Sclater-Booth's River Pollution Bill.

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SHEEP DOG TRIALS AT THE ALEXANDRA PALACE.



SKETCHES FROM THE SHOW AT BOSTON.

PRINCIPAL RACES PAST.

PRINCIPAL RACES PAST.	1
NEWCASTLE MEETING.—(Concluded.)	
Thursday, June 29. The LAMBTON PLATE HANDICAP of 60 sovs. T.Y.C.	71,
Mr. W. Sadler's bl i Moorhen, by Hermit—Esther's dam, 3 yrs, ost old Morgan	1
Mr. W. Robinson's br m Annie Louise, 5 yrs, 6st 11lb (car. 6st 12lb) Sheard 2 Mr. Northern's ch g Rouge Bonnet, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb	
Betting: 5 to 2 agst Morocco, 4 to 1 agst Rouge Bonnet, 9 to 2 agst Moroken 6 to 1 agst Looking Glass 10 to 1 each agst Emily and Annie	1
tween second and third. The NEWCASTLE HANDICAP of 100 sovs, added to a sweepstakes of	3
Mr. T. Melville's b c Stamfordham, by Lambton—Chegouni, 4 yrs,	. (
Mr. C. Gardner's b c St. Cuthbert, 3 yrs, 7st 2lb	1
The SEATON DELAVAL STAKES of 10 sovs each, h ft, with 200 added. Mr. Deighton's br c Black Knight (late Knight of the Trigger), by	1
Knight of the Garter—Cassandra, 8st 2lb	1
Betting: Even on Black Knight, 5 to 1 each agst Madame Spiers and Turkish Delight, 100 to 15 agst Lady Ripon filly, and 10 to 1 agst Fairy Queen. Won easily by half a length; a neck separated second and third; good fourth. The GRAND STAND SELLING STAKES of 3 sovs each, with 50 added.	(
Five furlongs.	1
Mr. As to 1 by Anight of the Gatter—Hawholi's tain, 2 yrs, 6 st 10b (£30)	
(£30) Betting: Even on the Hawthorn's dam filly, 5 to 2 (at first 6 to 4) agst Looking Glass, and 7 to 1 agst Hawthorn. Won by half a length; a length between second and third. The winner was sold to Mr. T. Green for 150 guineas.	
Mr. F. Bates's b c Extinguisher, by Lord Lyon 8st (100 sovs)G. Cook +1 Mr. J. Trotter's ch f Tilt, by The Earl or Palmer, 8st 7lb (200) J. Osborne +2	
Mr. J. H. Shepherd's b c Kendal, 8st (car 8st 1lb) (100)	
of a length. Extinguisher was bought in for 110gs. STEWARD'S CUP of 10 sovs each, 5 ft, with 100 added. Nearly one mile. Mr. R. N. Batt's ch h Thorn, by King of Trumps—Lady Alice Haw-	1
thorn 6 yrs, 9st rolb J. Osborne 1 Mr. H. E. Wilkinson's br Antipodes, 3 yrs, 6st rlb	
STOCKBRIDGE RACES.—(Concluded.) THURSDAY, JUNE 29. The JOHNSTONE PLATE (Handicap) of 100 sovs; winners extra.	
Mr. Gerard's ch h Mr. Winkle, by St. Albans—Peri, 5 yrs, 9st 7lb F. Archer 1	
Mr. Terry's Glenmarkie, 4 yrs, 8st 3lb (inc 7lb ex)	
The BEAUFORT HANDICAP of 200 sovs, added to a Sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, 10 ft; winners extra. One mile and a quarter. 11 subs. Mr. W. R. Marshall's hr. c. Tiber by Marjuer-British Onean by Ve.	
dette, 3 yrs, 6st	
Betting: 3 to 1 agst 1 ther, 100 to 30 agst Lilian, 11 to 2 agst Worcester, 6 to 1 agst Bourbaki, 8 to 1 agst Town Crier, and 10 to 1 agst Bowstring. Won cleverly by three quarters of a length; same between second and third. Worcester was fourth. The ANDOVER STAKES HANDICAP of 5 sovs each, with 50 added;	
extras; Old mile; 10 subs.	
rost 7lb (inc 7lb extra)	
The ALL-AGED PLATE of 100 sovs added to a Sweepstakes of 5 sovs	
each; weight-for-age; the winner to be sold for 100; Bush in; 13 subs. Mr. Blanton's b h Lincoln by Ely out of Sister to Little Lady, aged, 10st 3lb	
bonne out of Pakrita, 3 yrs, 9st 2lb; Halle, 2 yrs, 7st 7lb. Betting: 7 to 2 agst Victoire, 5 to 1 agst Lincoln, 11 to 2 agst Mayfair, 6 to 1 agst King of Hearts, 8 to 1 agst Selborne and 200 to 7 agst Snowdrop. Won cleverly by three-quarters of a length; half a length between second and third. The winner was bought in for 125 guineas.	
The STOCKBRIDGE CUP, value 300 sovs, by subscription of 10 sovs each, the surplus to be divided between the second and third; second	
saved stake. T.Y.C. 41 subs. Mr. J. H. Houldsworth's b c Springfield, by St. Albans—Viridis, 3 yrs, 8st 10lb (inc 5lb ex)	
other (offered). Won easily by three lengths; bad third. The MOTTISFONT STAKES of 20 sovs each, h ft, with 200 added, for two-yrs-old. T.Y.C. 32 subs. Lord Alington's br. C Post Haste, by Cramond, dam by Wild Dayrell	
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Betting: 7 to 4 agst Post Haste, 2 to 1 agst Macaroon, 4 to 1 agst Morgiana, 8 to 1 agst the May Morning colt, and 10 to 1 agst Orphan. Dead heat, Macaroon finishing two lengths off. Post Haste afterwards walked over and divided.	-
Mr. W. Newhouse's b f Duchess of Malfi, by Elland—Duchess, 3 yrs, 8st 7lb	2
The WALLOP PLATE (Handicap) of 50 sovs; jockeys extra; New mile. Sir G. Chetwynd's ch c Victorian by Victorious out of Tau, 3 yrs, 10st 7lb Mr. Crawshaw T. Cannon's Strayaway, 3 yrs, 9st 11lb	
Mr. C. Cannon's Strayaway, 3 yrs, 9st 11lb	
The TROY STAKES of 50 sovs each, h ft, for two-year-olds; Bush in 23 subs. Mr. H. Bird's br c Covenanter by Blair Athol out of Alcestis, 8st 12lb	
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Sir F. Johnstone's f by Victorious out of Dulcimer, 8st olb ...T. Cannon Betting: 13 to 8 on Covenanter, who won cleverly by half a length.

A SELLING PLATE of 100 sovs, added to a Sweepstakes of 5 sovs each;	()
Mr. Robinson's b f Mayfair by The Marquis out of May Queen, 4 yrs, 8st 11b (50 sovs)	7 a for A
each, with 100 added; one mile and a half. Lord Dupplin's b c Kaleidescope by Speculum out of Recluse, 8st 10lb	Î
Mr. Savile's Zee, 8st 5lb	a a T
The HURSTBOURNE STAKES of 50 sovs each, h ft, with 300 added, for two-year-olds; the second saved his stake. Bush in. 40 subs.	N
Captam Machell's b t Palm Flower, by The Palmer—Jenny Diver, 8st 9lb	I E
Also ran: The Rover, 8st 9lb; Placida, 8st 9lb; Tantrum, 8st 6lb; Polly Craven, 8st 9lb; Blue Riband, 8st 12lb. Betting: 2 to 1 agst Chevron, 9 to 4 agst Warren Hastings, 11 to 2 agst The Rover, 8 to 1 each agst Placida and Palm Flower, 10 to 1 agst Polly	I
Craven, 100 to 8 agst Blue Riband, and 100 to 6 agst Tantrum. Won by a neck; two lengths between second and third. The ANGLESEY PLATE of 50 sovs, added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs each; winners extra. Rush in a subs	C
Sir F. Johnstone's b c Town Crier, by Trumpeter—Crytheia, 4 yrs, 7st 12lb	T
Lord Alington's Beechnut, 6 yrs, 6st r1b	3
A FREE HANDICAP of 5 sovs each, with 100 added. T.Y.C.	I
4 yrs, 12st Mr. Bevill 1 Sir F. Johnstone's Confessor, 4 yrs, 12st 3lb T. Cannon 2 Sir G. Chetwynd's Sugarcane, 5 yrs, 13st 1lb Mr. Taxshaw 3 Also ran: Recompense, 4 yrs, 12st 4lb; Idle Girl, 6 yrs, 12st 3lb; Selborne, 4 yrs, 12st. Patting 6 to 4 yrs Stoyran 5 to 2 creft Suparagraph 5 to 2 creft Suparagraph 5 to 3 creft Suparagraph 5 creft Suparagraph 5 to 3 creft Suparagraph 5 creft Suparagraph 5 to 3 creft Suparagraph 5 to 3 creft Suparagr	S
Betting: 6 to 4 agst Stopgap, 5 to 2 agst Sugarcane, 5 to 1 agst Confessor, and 8 to 1 agst any other. Won by two lengths; a bad third.	3 0 H
NEWMARKET JULY MEETING. TUESDAY.	2 t
FIRST WELTER HANDICAP of 10 sovs each, with £100 added. Last six furlongs B.M. Sir G. Chetwynd's Chypre, by Blinkhoolie—Ess, Bouquet, 4 yrs, 8st (car 8st 1lb)	3
Gar 8st 1lb) Parry 1 Mr. John Core's Allerton, 3 yrs, 7st Luke 2 Mr. Fitzwilliam's Tangerine, 3 yrs, 7st 4lb C. Wood 3 Count F. de Lagrange's La Sauteuse, 4 yrs, 9st 4lb Glover o Betting: 11 to 10 agst Tangerine, 4 to 1 each agst Allerton and Chypre, and 11 to 2 agst La Sauteuse. Won by a neck; same between second and third.	f b s
MATCH: 1000 sovs, h ft. B.M. Lord Rosebery's Levant, by Adventurer—Repulse, 8st 10lbConstable 1 Mr. H. Baltazzi's Corydalis, 8st 10lb	o e f
cach. Last half mile New T.Y.C. Mr. Bird's Woodquest, by Orest—Wild Dove, 8st 7lb	HISTE
Mr Latour's Ernest by General Peel-Hophlossom 8st all Newhouse v	887
Mr. R. Wallace's Titania, 8st 2lb	I
hair a length; bad third. The JULY STAKES of 50 sovs each, £30 ft, for two-year-olds; colts, 8st rolb; fillies, 8st 7lb; second saved stake. New T.Y.C. Mr. Rayner, jun's, Warren Hastings, by Citadel—Plunder, 8st rolb	7 7 1
Lord Falmouth's Lady Golightly, 8st 7lb	1
Betting: 2 to 1 agst Warren Hastings, 5 to 2 agst Lady Golightly, 100 to 15 agst Covenanter, and 7 to 1 each agst Orleans and The Rover. Nearing the distance, the French pair and Orleans were in trouble, and Warren Hastings passing Covenanter, who was in difficulties at the cords, challenged Lady Golightly, and won an exciting race by a head; Covenanter was a bad third, just in front of Orleans and The Rover, the last of all being Charmant.	(2
SELLING STAKES of 10 sovs each, with £50 added; winner to be sold	
Mr. H. Baltazzi's King, by King of Scots—Inverness, 8st 10lb	
The CHEVELEY STAKES, free handicap of 30 sovs each, 20 ft, with	
Mr. Acton's Coomassie, by King Tom or North Lincoln—Mahala, 4 yrs, 8st	
The oblitation of 200 cach, for two-year-olds, coits.	
Mr. H. Bird sNap, by Macaroni—Slumber, 8st 7lb	
The EXETER STAKES of 40 sovs each. Last half-mile of the new T.Y.C. 22 subs. Lord Falmouth's Kitty Sprightly, 8st 7lb	
Also ran: Le Promeneur, 8st rolb; Passe-partout, 8st 4lb; Hallate, 8st 4lb; Spinster, 8st 7lb. Betting: 7 to 4 agst Kitty Sprightly, 4 to 1 agst Le Promeneur, 7 to 1 agst Spinster, and 8 to 1 each agst Popkins and Regimentstochter. A deadheat; Popkins a bad third. The stakes were divided, and Kitty Sprightly	
A SELLING STAKES of 10 sovs each, with 50 added. Last five furlongs of new T.Y.C. 7 subs. Mr. C. Raynor's b g King of Hearts, 3 yrs, 7st 4lb (£100)C. Wood 1 Mr. Blanton's Lincoln, aged, 9st (£200)	
sst ralb (£100). Betting: 9 to 4 agst King of Hearts, 3 to 1 agst Lincoln, 4 to 1 agst May Bell, and 8 to 1 agst Daisy. Won by a neck; two lengths between second and third. The winner was sold to Mr. Polak for 25 gs. The SECOND WELTER HANDICAP of 10 sovs each, with 100 added;	

JULY 8, 1876. £250); Quantock, 5 yrs, 9st (£1,000); c by Lord Lyon—Giantess, 3 yrs, st 5lb (£250).

Betting: 13 to 8 agst Beauharnais, 4 to 1 agst Pluton, 6 to 1 agst Tintern, too to 15 agst Quantock, and 10 to 1 agst Gilestone. Won by two lengths; a head between second and third. The winner was sold to Captain Machell and third.

The FIRST TWO-YEAR-OLD SALE STAKES of 30 sovs each, 10 ft,
with 100 added; last half of B.M. 13 subs.

Mr. Jennings's br i Elégante, by Atherstone—Elegance, 7st 5lb (£100)
Newhouse J. WEDNESDAY.
The EGLINTON WELTER HANDICAP PLATE of 100 sovs. About six furlongs. Mr. W. Robinson's br m Annie Louise, by Adamas—Vie, 5 yrs, 7st 8lb The LOWTHER HANDICAP of 5 sovs each; winners extra. About one mile. 14 subs.

Mr. G. Montgomerie's b g Little John, by Y. Dutchman—Gayous, 6 yrs, Also ran: observe of Appendix of the Appendix The CORBY CASTLE STAKES of 10 sovs each, with 100 added; for two The CUMBERLAND PLATE of 300 sovs, added to a handicap sweep-stakes of 15 sovs each, roft; winners extra; second received 30 sovs, and third saved stake; about one mile and three-quarters. 19 subs.

Mr. J. Osborne's b f Mintdrop, by Lozenge—Minaret, 4 yrs, 7st 13lb

Bruckshaw I Mr. H. Bragg's ch m Chimes, 5 yrs, 7st 3lb ... Carlisle
Mr. A. Gwynne's Highland Laddie, 3 yrs, 6st 6lb ... Collins
Mr. R. C. Vyner's Organist, 5 yrs, 8st 12lb ... Griffiths
Mr. T. Melville's Stamfordham, 4 yrs, 7st 5lb (inc 10lb ex) ... Morgan
Mr. R. Stobb's Chiverton, 4 yrs, 6st 8lb ... Howey
Mr. Johnstone's b f by Adventurer—Sweet Sound, 3 yrs, 6st 6lb (car
6st 7lb) ... Fagan The SCURRY WELTER HANDICAP SELLING STAKES of 5 sovs each, with 70 added; winner to be sold for 40 sovs; winners extra. About five furlongs. was bought in for riggs.

The DEVONSHIRE PLATE of 100 sovs, added to a handicap sweepstakes of 10 sovs each, 5 ft; second received 20 sovs; third saved stake;
winners extra. About one mile and a half. 6 subs.

Mr. Johnson's b c Coquetdale, by Tynedale—Curiew Bell, 3 yrs, 6st rolb The SECOND WELTER HANDICAP of 10 sovs each, with 100 added;
New T.Y.C. 6 subs.
Lord Downe's b c Ambergris, by Hermit—Frangipani, 3yrs, 7st 8lb (car. Mr. H. Bragg's br f Blue Belle, 3 yrs, 7st 3lb (inc 7lb ex)

Mr. A. Louis's Wellington, 3 yrs, 6st 6lb

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Also ran: Rock Rose, 5 yrs, 7st 3lb; Euston, 4 yrs, 7st.

Betting: Even on Rock Rose, 7 to 2 agst Blue Belle, 4 to r agst Euston, 5 to r agst Wellington, and 6 to r agst Coquetdale. Won by half a length; four lengths separated second and third.

FAMOUS PLAYERS OF THE PAST CENTURY.*

IV.-MRS. GOODALL.

ABOUT the middle of the last century there was a thriving thearical manager in Staffordshire, named Stanton, at the head of a "sharing" company of players, which in its day contained some poor, shabby, ill-fed strollers destined to be glorified into shining fashionable stars, radiant in gorgeous attire in London society and

on the London stage.

His idea of sharing was of the true kingly pattern. In the first place, out of money taken at the doors, he deducted the cost of candles, play-bills, &c., then he divided the remaining sum into so many "shares," four of which he deducted for the use of dresses and scenery, one for his general superintendence, another for his services as actor, another for his wife's services on the stage, and so much for the reduction of a kind of national debt, called the stock debt, made up of deficiencies arising when times were bad, and the cost of new costumes, scenery, "properties," &c. This debt, always being paid, and never paid, was usually so large, that however great the success here or there might be, the unfortunate members of Mr. Stanton's company were very little the better for it; instead of swelling their shares and increasing their comforts and in-dependence, the greater profits being all swallowed up by this in-satiable old never-ending debt. And so, whatever might be the position of his company, Mr. Stanton waxed sleek, and went well clothed and was prosperous, after the fashion of some other pro-vincial managers in him we could have the stanton of some other pro-

Now, whatever children might be to the poor struggling fathers and mothers who starved more or less slowly on the miserable and precarious earnings of these "shares," to Mr. Stanton they were, as in the West they are—in song—to this day, blessings, for as soon as his little ones could lisp out a few words, he put them on the stage and drew their shares bless 'em!. And so it them on the stage, and drew their shares, bless 'em! And so it came about that the heroine of this our fourth sketch—his daughter, destined to shine in future as the famous Mrs. Goodall-made her first appearance on the stage at a very early age indeed. As she grew up, her light, graceful figure, excellent elocution, beautiful face, and dramatic ability rendered her a great favourite, and so extended the blessing of more frequently increased "shares"

At that time Bath was a famous place for theatricals, to which the London managers at the two monopolising "patent theatres" always looked when on the alert for developed talent or promising recruits. It was then under the management of an actor of the highest repute, who is famous outside the annals of the stage as the originator of mail coaches—Mr. John Palmer, concerning whom there are many amusing and interesting anecdotes extant. To him Mr. Stanton applied on behalf of his daughter, when by practice, care, and culture she had attained a position fitting her for a more ambitious stage of action than that a strolling company could afford. He had spared no expense in accelerating her advancement, and he induced the great Bath manager to grant her a first appearance. This she made in the part of Rosalind, and a first appearance. This she made in the part of Rosalind, and was so successful, that a permanent engagement was the result.

Miss Stanton was soon found to be so amiable a girl in private

that she won many warm personal friends, who were eager to advance her fortunes. A Naval Lieutenant from Bristol, named Goodall, moreover, fell in love with her, and she became his

-the stock debt.

Presently there came to Bath a tragic actress of high repute, Mrs. Simpson, who was cast the part of Desdemona to the Othello of Mr. Middleton, a tragedian of eminence, who had previously arranged that Mrs. Goodall should play that part with him. Hence arose a storm, resulting in both ladies making their appearance at rehearsal, and each insisting, in no spirit of gentleness, upon her right to personate the gentle Desdemona. The language used on this occasion went rapidly up in its temperature until the unfortunate manager found it far too hot for him; and while soothing, by deferential politeness, the flushed and angry young beauty,

they, by determine pointeness, the hushed and angry young beauty, yet decided firmly in favour of her rival, Mrs. Simpson.

The ultimate consequence was a rupture, ending in Mrs. Goodall's throwing up her engagement, and in Mr. Stanton and her husband bringing all the influence they could command to bear upon the Drury Lane management, where in 1788 she first bear upon the Drury Lane management, where in 1788 she first appeared before a London audience, selecting on this occasion, as on a previous one, the part of Rosalind in As You Like It. Her engagement bound her to "act second in all tragedies, comedies, operas, farces, pantomimes, interludes, &c.," for a salary then regarded as one of no small importance—namely, four pounds a week. She was from the first successful, although she was not regarded by the management as "a draw"—in other words, "a star." Soon another storm arose. Mrs. Goodall was cast the part of Lady Ann in Richard the Third, and refused it. The manager, Mr. Kemble, was appealed to pathetically by her father, her husband, and herself. To compel her to act in so small a part would injure the future prospects of an amiable and talented lady, who had already made a favourable impression on the town. If Mr. Kemble would only allow her to establish her fame before he asked her to play such parts, she would then sub-

fame before he asked her to play such parts, she would then submit to his wishes with the greatest readiness.

Mr. Kemble was inclined to yield, until unfortunately he heard of that similar affair at the Bath Theatre, after which he became deaf to all her entreaties; and the dispute, growing, found its way into write but end of the control of the co into print, but ended at last in some amicable arrangement. From that time the prospects of Mrs. Goodall brightened and brightened until she stood in the foremost rank of her profession, universally admired and appreciated, able to dictate her own conditions, and command her own terms. From Drury Lane she went to that little theatre in the Haymarket, to which we have already referred. But our space is getting short, and we must here leave Mrs. Goodall for

V.-MRS. MATYR.

This lady attained repute as an actress and singer, mainly by dint of her pretty face and figure, and the arch vivacity and expression she infused into all her parts. Her voice had no great power, and her vocal execution was feeble; but there was something so charming in her personations that even [those who were most severely critical concerning her abilities, couched their remarks in strains evidently expressive of no little tenderness for her teelings. So deep was the impression she made upon the public mind, that for many years after it was the fashion to imitate and many who could not command her charms of person and expression, failed to understand why her easily imitated and vicious mannerism did not command in others the applause they had always obtained in Mrs. Matyr. The characters in which she excelled most were those of Juno in the Golden Pippin; Euphrosyne in Comus, and that in which she has been drawn on page 265 of this paper. She died in 1807.

VI.—MISS ANNA SELINA STORACE.

In the days of which we are now speaking, in all parts of London pleasure gardens abounded. East, west, north, and south they were to be found, for our grandfathers delighted in out-door recreations, and at most of them music and singing were the chief attractions. Amongst the most famous of these gardens were those of Marylebone, kept by a Mr. Storace, a foreign musician,

celebrated for his skill as a performer on the double bass, as his wife and sisters were for certain cakes, in the making of which all London had not their equals. His daughter, Anna Selina, displayed, at a very early age, remarkable musical taste, which induced her father to place her at once under the care of Sacchini. Her brother Stephen, when eleven years old, could play the most difficult solos of Tartini and Giardini with perfect correctness, and the ability of his sister was not less conspicuous. They were both sent to Italy to complete their musical education, and returning about 1780, Stephen's advance was so great that he soon won reputation as a composer, and was able to obtain an engagewon reputation as a composer, and was able to obtain an engagement for his sister as a comic singer, from Gallini, she having previously made her appearance at the Opera at Florence with marked success. In 1784 the Emperor of Austria sent her a special invitation to visit Vienna, where she was assigned a salary of about £500 per annum. In 1787 she returned to London, where her fame grew rapidly and spread widely.

Mrs. or as she called herself Signora, Storace, was one of the first who received the then, and there, very singular privilege of a benefit performance. While in Vienna she became acquainted with a famous player on the violin, Doctor Fisher, whom she mar-

with a famous player on the violin, Doctor Fisher, whom she married. The union was a very unhappy one, and this coming to the ears of the Emperor Joseph he very summarily enforced peace by divorcing them, without the slightest reference to a law court. His Imperial Majesty, without investigation or inquiry, summarily banished Dr. Fisher from his dominions.

Slander made free with her name in connection with that of

the Prince of Wales, soon after her arrival in London, but the story was converted into a jest, at which no one, it is said, laughed more heartily than the Prince himself. Despite her foreign extraction, being born in London, Miss Storace was so far English that she dearly loved a lord, and many were the anecdotes told in

that she dearly loved a lord, and many were the anecdotes told in ridicule of this not uncommon peculiarity.

In 1789 she made her début at Drury Lane in the then newly produced opera of The Haunted Tower, by Cobb, the music of which was composed and compiled by her brother Stephen. She drove a hard bargain with Mr. Cobb, and exacted from the brother who had so befriended her, the uttermost farthing of a sum per night which he, with Mr. Cobb, had agreed to give her for introducing the opera; although this involved both gentlemen in a serious loss, and one which Stephen Storace, then a young and very poor man, was miserably unable to struggle against. Her greed for money displayed itself on other occasions, when, performances being given for charitable purposes, she alone informances being given for charitable purposes, she alone in-sisted upon being paid her usual fee. For this the caricaturists and public prints on more than one occasion made her smart.

Poor Dr. Fisher, after his banishment, went to Ireland, where he played at concerts, and taught music, until sickness reduced him to beggary and want. His wife was then receiving upwards of a hundred pounds per week, and someone wrote to her on his behalf. She did not reply. Then the dying man wrote, begging humbly for ten pounds to pay a doctor's bill, and bills for food and lodging. She refused to assist him with a coin. After this, you may be in haste to quit so talented and unfeeling a being, and so we shall merely add that she died in or near London in 1814.

CRICKET, AQUATICS, AND ATHLETICS.

JUST about this particular time of the cricket season, matches come so thick and so fast that one requires to be like Sir Boyle Roche's celebrated bird—in two places at the same time. The Gentlemen and Players' match at the Oval ended on Saturday; I cannot say it was played out—more's the pity. The result was a draw, although, had time allowed, there is not the slightest doubt but that the amateurs would have won, as they scored 229 and 201 (four wickets down) against 237 and 257. Daft was well to the fore with 48 and 61, and seemed endowed with a little more the fore with 48 and of, and seemed endowed with a little more hitting power than he has been showing of late. Jupp, Barlow, Ulyett, Selby, and Emmett also showed in capital form. Mr. W. G. Grace scored a o in the first innings; but amply atoned for it in the second, he making 90 in his very best style. Mr. F. Penn fully realised what I have persistently written of him, by making 52 and 27 (not out), but perhaps the great feature of the match was Mr. F. S. Tylecote's wicket-keeping, he catching five and stumping two; in fact, he fairly surprised me, as I never fancies he was anything half so good as he has proved himself behind the stumping two; in fact, he fairly surprised me, as I never fancied he was anything half so good as he has proved himself behind the sticks, and I sincerely hope he will not take umbrage at these remarks. Greatly to the grief of many of his most consistent admirers, Mr. A. J. Webbe did not come off, and great was the weeping and gnashing of teeth thereat. How absurd all this display seems. Because I have one particular fancy as a batsman am I always to be "cracking him up," and decrying others, and because my particular idol "plays like a fool" (as I heard one of the reporters say about his special pet), am I to tear my few sparse the reporters say about his special pet), am I to tear my few sparse locks, and throw my best alpaca umbrella out of the grand stand at Lord's? "By heavens! I'd rather be a dog, and bay the moon." But if I rave like this I shall have the Captious Critic down on me.

The second of the series of the Gentlemen and Players' matches most decided defeat of the Players, by an innings and 98 runs. The Gentlemen went in first, and scored 433, for the loss of six wickets, on the first day, Mr. W. G. Grace being credited with 169, and Mr. Ridley 103, both by faultless cricket. On the second day, the four remaining wickets failed to score a single run, and Mr. G. F. Grace carried his bat out for a rather lucky 68, the innings clearing for the Although Daff. Turn Connection. innings closing for 449. Although Daft, Jupp, Oscroft, and Greenwood all played well, the balance of runs was far too heavy for the Players, who were all dismissed for 219, and a "follow on" was necessitated. Their second venture was a weaker exhibition than the first, and amounted to 132 only, of which Daft contributed 39 (not out), Lockwood 26, and Jupp 21. Mr. Appleby's bowling, in the first innings, and Mr. W. G. Grace's, in the second, was of a very fine character, each of the two getting six wickets.

May I be allowed to say—poor Derbyshire. I use the adjective

advisedly, as after one or two highly creditable victories, the county had to sing small to a comparatively weak team of Lancashire on Monday and Tuesday last, the Northerners winning by 96 runs. When I say a weak eleven of Lancashire I think I am fairly within the mark, as that dangerous batsman and marvellous fieldsman, Mr. A. N. Hornby, took no part in the game and other amateurs of Lancashire (in which element the real strength of the county lies) were conspicuous by their absence. Rigley was the only Derbyshire man who showed anything like a stand against the bowling of William M'Intyre and Watson, who were unchanged throughout the match, and who obtained nine and ten wickets respectively. I ought, by-the-bye, to take note of Mycroft's bowling in the first innings of Lancashire, as he obtained seven wickets at the cost of fifty-eight runs.

Henley Regatta took place on Thursday and Friday, June 29 and 30, and, for a wonder, without a spot of rain. As a natural consequence the attendance on both days was enormous, and the company cannot complain of the quality or quantity of the racing, no less than seventeen events being fixed for the first day. It is not my intention to enter into a detailed description of the various races, seriatim, but I shall merely touch upon the principal races and their results. The Grand Challenge Cup was not won by Jesus College, Cambridge, many of the knowing ones

booking it a certainty for them or the Moulsey Club, but it was Jesus, Cambridge, and the Amalgamated Oxford crew—University and Brasenose. S. le B. Smith and Gulston (London Rowing Club) won the Silver Goblet for Pairs as they liked by Rowing Club) won the Silver Goblet for Pairs as they liked by half a dozen lengths, and, to the great surprise of many, West London beat the L.R.C. in the Thames Challenge Cup for eight oars. The Visitors' Cup for fours was secured by University College, Oxford, and the Ladies' Challenge Plate by Jesus, Cambridge. After a slight foul, the London Rowing Club beat the Thames for the Stewards' Cup; and the Wyfold Cup, also for cours went to the West London whom Exon heartily congratus. fours, went to the West London, whom Exon heartily congratu-lates on their success. The Diamond Sculls were carried off by last year's champion, F. L. Playford, Dicker breaking a scull when apparently well in it. The other events call for no comment

Although at present there has been nothing definitely settled about Trickett's future movements, it is certain that it will not be for want of challenges that he has made no sign. In addition to Higgins's cartel to scull him for his lately earned title of champion, Lumsden, of Blyth, through James Taylor, of Newcastle, offers to row him for £200 a side, and a bet of another £200. From what I am given to understand, one or other of these matches is sure to come off.

A contest of rather a novel character took place at the Agricultural Hall, on Monday evening—viz., a single-stick match between two stalwart swordsmen, named Shaw and Smith, the latter staking £100 to £50. Shaw stands 6ft 1½ in in height, and weighs 14st; while Smith is 5ft 11½ in, and scales 13st. The conditions were that the competitors, with the exception of the ordinary mask for the head and face, should dispense with all other defensive covering, and that the first 100 points scored should decide the combat. Corporal-Major Deane, of the 1st Life Guards, was chosen referee; and Mr. A. B. Shury ("the Colonel") officiated as scorer. On commencing, it was at once manifest that Smith had not overrated his powers, while his opponent demeaned himself more like a novice than anything

opponent demeaned himself more like a novice than anything else. In fourteen mimutes Smith had scored 20 hits to Shaw's 8; and in half an hour Smith had obtained 50 points. After about three quarters of an hour's play (?) Smith had scored 62 hits against 24, when Shaw discreetly gave in.

A correspondent obligingly furnishes me with the accompanying score, which shows a bowling achievement worthy of being enrolled by my friend Mr. Charles Box, amongst his "Curiosities of Cricket." The match was played last Saturday week on Sir Charles Anderson's ground at Lea. Mr. Carter (surveyor of of Cricket." The match was played last Saturday week on Sir Charles Anderson's ground at Lea. Mr. Carter (surveyor of taxes at Gainsborough) is a left-handed bowler. Two wickets (caught) fell to Mr. Wilkinson's first over, and on Mr. Carter again taking the ball (his second over) he clean bowled three more men, thus taking eight wickets in twelve balls. In the second innings Brigg was a little more fortunate. Score :-

Saxilby, c Nicholson

Hewitt, b Carter

Waterhouse, b Carter

A. Johnson, b Carter

Brown, b Carter

R. Johnson, c Nicholson

Young, b Carter

Shutcliffe, b Carter Robbs, not out
Beunet, b Carter
Baker, b Carter
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Curtis, c R. Johnson
Nicholson, bHewitt.
Purvis, b Robbs.
Wilkinson, b Robbs.
Carter, c Bennet
Chapman, c R. Johnson. 3 | Anderson, run out ... | 3 | Beaumont, not out ... | 4 | Exercise | 5 | Exercise | 5 | Exercise | 5 | Extras | 5 | Extr

Would the gentleman who reported the above for the Lincoln Gazette mind my suggesting that he, in future efforts of the kind, add the name of the bowler when he records a catch. And perhaps he will kindly inform me what he means by the idiotic term "extras." EXON:

BY THE BYE,

My dear "Man about Town," upon my life you are wrong, doubly wrong. In correcting your very curious blunder in the Sporting Gazette, my motive was obviously and only to correct. I had no deeply hidden meaning. It was, really, a mere common-place affair, with nothing occult in its design, and once more I venture to assure you that Mr. Passmore Edwards is neither editor

nor proprietor of the Builder.

Not content with regarding so suspiciously my harmless motive, the "Man about Town" proceeds as follows:—

What I did "kindly inform" my readers was that "the Echo had been sold to Mr. Passmore Edwards, proprietor of the Builder," which is perfectly correct. However, if it will be any consolation to Mr. "By the Bye," I will tell him that not only did I not know that Mr. George Godwin was editor of the Builder, but I was actually unaware (stupendous fact!), util I read the paragraph I have quoted above, that there was in the journalistic or any other "world" a person of that name. Yes, sir, I know the obvious retort, and I am prepared to receive it as Ithuriel and Zephon received the scorn of Satan.

Why should I be scornful or compared with Satan? Why should I even pity this dear good young man's ignorance of Mr. George Godwin's existence. Great ones "about town" ignore meaner beings. It is true that Mr. George Godwin is a Fellow of the Royal Society, and ditto of the Society of Arts, secretary to the Royal Literary Fund, and of the London Art Union, that he was one of the jurors of the 1851 Great Exhibition, is correspond-ing member of the chief foreign learned societies, and has been vice-president of the Royal Institute of British Architects. True also is it that he has edied the Builder since 1844, has written and it is it that he has edited the Buttuer since 1044, has written numerous, and, dare I add, well-known (?) books, amongst which are "History in Ruins," "Churches of London," "London Shadows," "Town Swamps and Social Bridges," "Memorials of Workers," "Another Blow for Life," &c. Moreover, Mr. Godwin is known by such obscure deeds as the restoration of St. Mary's Church at Redcliff, a building out of town, you know, at Bristol, or somewhere, and other churches. There is, too, a St. Mary's Church in Brompton, and close by it are certain National Schools which Mr. Godwin built, and—but why go on? "The Man about Town" knows not Godwin, knows only Mr. Passmore Edwards, who wrote-by-the-bye, what did he write?-and He erected—let me see—what did he erect?—and is, ah!—yes—he is proprietor of the Building News. It's grand to be a proprietor. Talking of curious things, by-the-bye, reminds me of Mr. Myers's elephants. Until I visited his Hippodrome at the Crystal Palace last week, I don't think I ever knew these

animals properly. The jaunty air with which the huge beasts entered the circus, the precision with which their movements kept time to the music, and their general air of fantastic lightness, elasticity, and agility contrasting so strangely with their heavy and clumsy contours, gave me quite a new light as to their character and powers. For the first time I mentally realised the extraordinary stories I had heard of elephants from my youth upwards. To see these unwieldly-looking beasts erect themselves on their fore or hind legs, and go through their various performances with an air of doing so on the impulse of their own free wills, and with

^{*} For portraits of these ladies in character see page 265.

tions, which I heartily wish were half as common, generous, and

positive enjoyment, was delightful. In some positions they were curiously suggestive of fat and gigantic sailors in loose, baggy trousers, on the eve of dancing a hornpipe; and only for a minute or two at a time did they display that calm tranquillity and dignified slowness with which, in my mind, they had always been most impressively associated.



Talking of elephants and music, by-the-bye, recalls to memory the record of a series of exhaustive experiments which were made n 1798 upon the musical perceptions of male and female elephants at the "Jardin du Roi," in Paris. These clearly showed that the beasts were differently affected as the music varied in character. Lively music excited them to mirthful activity; slow, pensive music Lively music excited them to mirthful activity; slow, pensive music had the reverse effect; and the general result fully realised and confirmed Ælian's account of the modulated dance of the elephants of Germanicus, the great Roman Consul, who died in the year 19. "There's nothing new under the sun." What then was in Rome now is at Sydenham.

From the Hippodrome I went to the Rose Show, described elsewhere, and brought a small sketch home in my pocket-book, which is here reproduced. I have joy in flowers, but I'll not say which flowers had the largest share of my notice. Of those shown, some are on view at the Palace all the year round.

patriotic in England as they are in Germany. I made a sketch or two of the sports, but there will not be space enough for them on this occasion. Money is too often the great oracle of inspiration here rather than love of a good thing, fraternal feeling, or patriotic

Going back to the Palace Hippodrome for a few seconds, I may Going back to the Palace Hippodrome for a few seconds, I may note that contrary to the opinions expressed in a couple of contemporary journals, all the entertainments belonging to it are not modern. On the contrary they are amongst the oldest in the world. Performing wild and domestic animals, the circus, and nearly all the tricks now performed in it by these and other animals, together with "Mr. Merryman," the long thonged whip &c. were all well known to our ancestors of the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, long before the drama had arisen to dim its glory. I have made a sketch of one of the early merrymen, or clowns, from a contemporary production, and here give it.

From the Crystal, to the Alexandra Palace, and the sheep-dog show, is but a hop. I dearly love dogs, and heartily endorse every word that Robert Lowe wrote in their praise. Do you remember the lines he is said to have penned for Lady Dorothy

remember the lines he is said to have penned for Lady Dorothy Neville's cat and dog cemetery. I think I may venture to quote

Soft lie the turf on those who find their rest Here on our common mother's ample breast. Unstained by meanness, avarice, or pride, They never flattered, and they never lied.

No gluttonous excess their slumbers broke, No burning alcohol, nor stifling smoke. They ne'er intrigued, a rival to displace; They ran, but never betted on a race.

Content with harmless sports and moderate food, Boundless in love, and faith, and gratitude. Happy the man, if there be any such, Of whom his epitaph may say as much.

But I was about to speak of sheep-dogs as a by-the-bye to Mr. Moore's excellent sketches of prize-winners at the Alexandra Palace show and the notice thereof, which appear on another page. Did you ever read Hogg's description of his sheep-dog, Sirrah, and that account of this wonderful colley's adventure with seven hundred lambs? The story is worth re-telling just now, while the newly-aroused public interest on the subject is still fresh.

Sirrah was a black dog of a surly and unsociable character. He disdained flattery, refused to be caressed, and had a by no means prepossessing appearance, having a grim, black face, striped with dark brown. He was not quick to learn, but was very patient and persevering, and what he once acquired he never forcest or preglected, and in cares of more replected and in cares of more replected and in cares of more replected. very patient and persevening, and what he once acquired he never forgot or neglected; and in cases of emergency he would of himself adopt expedients which displayed both thought and ingenuity. One such was the following.

Seven hundred lambs had been placed in Sirrah's charge at weaning time. In the middle of a night, which was a particularly

FLOWERS-A SKETCH FROM THE CRYSTAL PALACE.

From the rose show my steps led me to the exhibition of the German Athletic Club, of which an account is given on another page. By-the-bye, are you aware that in Germany these athletic festivals are regularly organised institutions, with a patriotic meaning altogether apart from their gymnastic bearings. Festival meetings of various kinds abound in Germany, and their importance, as signs of fraternity and patriotism, is so generally recognised, that Germans will flock to them from all parts of the world, and travel immense distances for the mere purpose of being present at them. Amongst such festivals, those of an being present at them. Amongst such festivals, those of an athletic character, called Turn Fests, are by no means the least popular. They are held in no particular towns nor on any specially fixed days, but are celebrated annually in the chief cities, and the numbers both of competitors and spectators are so large that no gymnasium in Germany is sufficiently spacious to contain them and they consequently take place in the corn of Nothing them, and they consequently take place in the open air. Nothing in the way of gain or profit is allowed to interfere with the national and patriotic character of these occasions, and although prizes of nominal value are given, it is the honour and glory of victory only which influences the athletes. The first gathering always takes place on a Sunday, when the various clubs march in procession, with music playing and banners flying, the streets being crowded with holiday folks in their best attire. The real business constants on the Monday when the courte are identical with commences on the Monday, when the sports are identical with those elsewhere described, at the Crystal Palace. With reference to the Palace Fête, I may add that 250 gentlemen took part in the exercises, as 350 would have done had the Volunteer Review in Hyde Park not taken place on the same day. One of the members, Mr. Maguire, aroused immense enthusiasm, and was awarded round after round of applause, as he climbed a rope 120 feet high, and in coming down performed a series of extraordinary feats, displaying extreme skill and strength. The running of feats, displaying extreme skill and strength. The running of a single and a double "maze" at the close of the different exercises was great fun to both the lookers-on and the merry young fellows who took part in it.

The jumping was, on the whole good, and, as in Germany, the high jump was taken from a sloping board, with no special spring in it; and the men went through their performances in classes. The jumping, good as it was, did not impress me very favourably, and the boxing, although smart and clever, was not up to any high standard of skill. The club exercise was performed with extreme case and gracefulness. The spirit of enthusiasm perfect discipline and and gracefulness. The spirit of enthusiasm, perfect discipline, and good feeling displayed by the entire body of men cannot be too warmly commended or too closely followed by similar associa-

dark one, the lambs separated into three divisions, and scampered off up the wild mountain sides, despite all poor Sirrah could do to keep the invisible animals together. Mr. Hogg was terribly dismayed, and uttered his woe and despair aloud in words, which so deeply moved Sirrah that he could not bear them, and so went quietly and surlily off in the dark, refusing to answer the calls of either Mr. Hogg or his excited companion. Unable to see a foot before them, bewildered, despairing, and angry with Sirrah for his strange conduct, the two

was Sirrah, with the missing lambs! and judge of their astonishment, the wildness of their delight, the exuberance of their gratitude, on discovering that of all the seven hundred not one was missing! Hogg, when he told the story—and he always told it feelingly, used to add—"All that I can further say, is that I never felt so grateful to any creature under the sun as I did to my honest Sirrah that morning!" But of telling dog stories there is no end. No one could recall the many tales told of sheep dogs, without, while the Alexandra show was on, feeling a desire to visit that great gathering of these wonderful and noble animals. visit that great gathering of these wonderful and noble animals. There is one other characteristic story which—being on a By-the-Bye track—I cannot refrain from telling; I don't think it's generally known, although it has been in print. A Mr. Steel, of Peebles, in Tweedale, had a colley bitch famous for feats in taking sheep from the neighbouring farms into the flesh market at Peebles. Mr. Steel was in the habit of trusting so implicitly to this dog that he would often leave heralone with the sheep while he stopped to take a glass with some farmer who had made a purchase, or went off to another part of the country to transact business. At one time he chanced to commit a drove to her charge at a place called Willenslee without attending, as he should have done, to her condition. The poor animal had to conduct the sheep home a distance of five miles along a wild mountain side, where there was no regular road or path. Reaching home late in the evening, Mr. Steel was astonished and dismayed to find the dog



A CIRCUS CLOWN OF THE OLDEN TIME.

and sheep were not there. In alarm and consternation he hurriedly started off in pursuit of them with his son and a man servant, each taking different paths. But just as they were on the eve of separating in the street, there was the colley and the sheep, not one of which was missing. But the delay was only too well understood, when it was seen that the poor bitch carried in her mouth a newly-born puppy. She had been taken in travail on the lonely mountain side, and how the poor faithful brute had contrived in her state of suffering to meage and been together the flock is beyond even imagining. to manage and keep together the flock is beyond even imagining. Her master's heart smote him for his cruelty or carelessness, which is often more cruel than designed brutality, but she was nothing daunted, and having deposited her young one in a place of safety, she again set out full speed for the hills, and brought back first one and then another pup until she had removed the entire litter. But the last pup was dead. And now with such remembrances and their suggestions still in mind, let us read the following letter on vivisection.—"To the Editor of the Morning Post.—Sir,—Permit me to urge through your means that in addition to his brave, affectionate, sensitive, and reasoning qualities, the fact of the supposed-to-be-charitable institution in London, known as 'The Home for Lost Dogs,' should exempt the dog altogether from the horrors of vivisection. If this exemption is not clearly established, that which a number of ladies insti-tuted under the word charitable intentions, becomes a wretched shambles whence dogs can be more cheaply obtained than cats. Let us hope that the House of Commons will add this amend-



A SUMMER NIGHT AT THE "GRECIAN"-IN THE PIT.

shepherds spent the night scouring the mountains, and the early dawn found them footsore, and stiff, and weary, with a grim horror in their minds of what was to come. Seven hundred sheep were lost! They trudged homeward to tell their employer of the awful disaster, wondering, now and then what had become of the poor dog. The sun was up when they reached a deep ravine called the Flesh Cleuch, at the bottom of which they were surprised to see a crowd of lambs under the charge of a dog which resembled Sirrah. They hurried down, and sure enough there

ment to the bill from the House of Lords.—Yours, &c., GRANTLEY

F. Berkeley.—Alderney Manor, Poole, Dorset, July 4."

By-the-bye, I sent forth to the engraver a sketch I made the other night from a stage box at the Grecian Theatre, where I went to see the new play, Queen's Evidence, and a capital one it is. I had nearly forgotten all about it, and now I have no space left in which to speak of all I saw there. The sketch must, therefore, speak for itself without the aid of its originator.

A. H. DOUBLEYEW.

OUR CAPTIOUS CRITIC.

DAY was just divesting himself of his light summer suit, and slipping on the sombre pantaloons of the evening dress of the period, as in the course of a stroll along one of the leafy roads of Berkshire, I encountered a goodly caravan. Ere while I have told you of my early experiences as scene painter and "general utility" in a portable theatre, therefore it will not greatly surprise you if I say that on recognizing in the caravan aforesaid, an institution similar to that in which I graduated, a thrill of pleasurable emotion excited my frame. I am not one of those who are ashamed of their obscure origin, if, indeed, anything is in it to be ashamed of. On the contrary, the vivid recollections which thronged upon me atthismoment were so captivating, that I at once determined to strike acquaintance with the manager of the caravan, and if possible ingratiate myself with the members of his company. The horses were labouring in a most leisurely manner, so that I soon came abreast of the foremost vehicle (there were but two), which formed the dwelling-house of these votaries of Thespis. To ask for alight to my pipe in a genial, and, what was more effective, in a showmanlike way, was but the work of a moment. This led to friendly conversation, which led to my being invited to "jump up, and make myself comfortable, as I was travelling the same road." A pocket flask of excellent whisky which I carried, secured to me the popularity that my proverbially winning manners had already gone far to establish. Mine host, as I may now call him, was a robust and garrulous fellow, a little the worse for wear, and his visage tinged with the crimson glory of the grape, if I may venture so to express it. When he discovered that my acquaintance with "mum-

Proprietor Manager and Frusband of Lady Machet

mers and mumming" was beyond that of a mere tourist, he became wonderfully confidential, and evidently made up his mind to extort from me the source of my unusual information. "But we mustn't talk loud," said he, in a whisper that might have raised the sheeted dead," "'cos the missus is havin' a snooze;" and he indicated her resting-place by a motion of his thumb over his shoulder.

To relieve myself of his leading interrogatories, all wide of the mark, I determined to let a little light in upon the circumstances of my early career.

"Did you know," said I, "anything of the Slop-cum-Slocum circuit in the year 185—, or thereabouts?"

"Did I know? Did I — Well, not perhaps in that year, but the very year afore; and two year after I travelled that there circuit. I follered old Davy Mossop's Combination Troupe each time."

"Ah, then you knew old Davy?"

" Did I know? Did I — Ha, ha! should think I did know'm."

"Did he ever tell you of a lad who painted his scenery about that time?"

"Did he not! A young chap what could dror litenesses ever so. Why, he'd a give a 'undred poun' to get 'im back, that he would."

"I am that lad," I said, in, I am sure, a somewhat saddened tone, "I am that lad,"

At first my new found acquaintance was incredulous, but he speedily became convinced of the truth of my statement, when I began to allude to the details in connection with Mossop's show,

and to interrogate him concerning my long-lost-sight-of, but never-forgotten friends of the travelling booth. Old Davy, as I expected, was dead. On receiving this information, however, I paused, almost fearful to proceed further. Hard as had been the



lines of that early life of mine, still there was one silver streak among them, that, like all the fair dreams of boyhood, refused to be darkened by the cynical influences of maturer years. There was a lump in my throat which caused a huskiness of my voice



as I asked, in as careless a manner as I could pretend, "He had a daughter, if I remember rightly?" (If I remember, rightly!)

"Yes-little Polly," said he.



"Yes," echoed I, "little Polly."

"She was drownded," he went on, "going over to Australiar in a steam-boat." I asked no more. For about a mile I was silent, busy with reminiscences that would call a sneer to the

lip of any man who flatters himself upon his worldly wisdom. I recalled the elf-like, mischievous little coquette, who, to me, had seemed the embodiment of all that was enchanting. How she flirted with me—when there was no one else to flirt with. How, when there was some one else (and how I hated him!) she rudely destroyed my illusions by reminding me that I was nothing but a boy. Doubtless, her grammar was of the shakiest, and very likely she played the deuce with her aspirates. But what of that? She was the dream of my youth; and now I heard for the first time that she was "drownded going over to Australiar in a steam-boat." Unconsciously, in my mind, I improvised an epitaph for her:

When I recall sweet little Poll,
I sigh to think the waves entomb her;
For if she hadn't any heart,
She had a wondrous vein of humour.

* In the meantime my uncongenial friend had produced from one of his capacious pockets a voluminous playbill. This, he informed me was his "programmy." I noticed that it included no less than five pieces—amongst them the *Dog of Montargis*. This very title brought tears to my eyes.

He then indicated the names of the chief members of his company. "Most on 'em," said he, "doubles their parts. There's a very useful man, now, Sig-nore Murfi; he does the 'eavies and the loviers. I calls him Mons. in the north country, but Signore goes down better in the South. But, lor bless you! he's been and spoiled hisself lately, through reading of a London news-



paper he picked up somewheres. It was somethink about a Mr. Hirving. And he's always agoin on now for what he calls 'sikeolological' hacting. But it won't suit me. Not strong enough. It's my belief hactors didn't ought ever to read newspapers. Howsomdever, if it warn't for that, he's a huniwersal genus in his way, he is."

My friend then expatiated upon the talents of his low comedian, who was very low, indeed-only two feet high. These worthies, he informed me, were gone on in advance with the scenery and "props." I subsequently had the pleasure of meeting them, whence I derived my sketches. But his great attractions it appeared were first his "dawg" and second his "missus;" the former I became aware of as I sat upon the caravan. He came sniffing at the back of my neck in a manner that made my flesh creep. But when I learned to know him better, I discovered that he was the most dyspeptic quadruped that ever enacted scenes of blood. A dog with something on his mind is indeed a melancholy companion, and I should say this dog of Montargis was labouring under a very weary weight of woe. Of the "missus" I will say no more than that she wore a very black eye, caused, as her husband impressed upon me, by a tent pole falling upon her. Far be it from me to doubt his word. He said she was the best Lady Macbeth on the stage. I should not be at all surprised. However, I found her a convivial soul, for she drank the remainder of my whiskey with great affability. After which I said good-

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HER MAJESTY'S OPERA.

THE only recent novelty at Her Majesty's OPERA.

The only recent novelty at Her Majesty's Opera has been the production of Flotow's Martha, on Saturday last. For that evening, a repetition of La Figlia del Reggimento had been announced, with Mdlle. Mila Rodani for the second time as Maria. The weather proved too much for the young artist. On the night of her debut she was evidently suffering from cough; a few days later she was quite unable to sing, and was ordered back to her native air; and thus it happened that Martha was unexpectedly produced. Whether, under such circumstances, excuses ought to be made for the indifferent quality of the performance, we are inproduced. Whether, under such circumstances, excuses ought to be made for the indifferent quality of the performance, we are inbe made for the indifferent quality of the performance, we are inclined to doubt. It was open to the management to repeat one of the operas already produced during this season; and whenever an opera is given at such an establishment as Her Majesty's Opera, the public have a right to expect a creditable performance. On Saturday last, Martha was performed in a manner by no means worthy the reputation of Her Majesty's Opera. The band were sometimes beforehand with the singers; sometimes the singers were beforehand with the band; the conductor's voice and baton were heard in vain; and the popular choruses in the Fair Scene have probably seldom gone so badly. Fortunately, the principal solo singers did much to redeem the general faultiness. Madame Trebelli's Nancy was a vocal and dramatic treat; ness. Madame Trebelli's Nancy was a vocal and dramatic treat; and the part could not have been better sung or acted. Signor Fancelli's splendid voice told with great effect in "Solo, profugo"—in the duet with Martha—in "M'appari tutt'amor," and, indeed, throughout the opera. Mdlle. Varesi sang her music in good style; but with that absence of "driving power" which has always militated against her complete success. She always satisfies, but rarely charms; and is not likely to enlist the sympathies of the general body of musical amateurs by vocalism, which—however highly finished—is too obviously mechanical, and never touches the heart. A voice which has no "tears" in it will never extract tears from those who listen to its tones; and will never extract tears from those who listen to its tones; andstrange to say—an operatic soprano who in pathetic scenes fails to command the tears of her audience, always fails to command their laughter in comedy. Mdlle. Varesi is not so much wanting in vocal power as in that "divine fire" which kindles a responsive glow in the breasts of others; and can only retain her position as one of the prime donne of Her Majesty's Opera in the absence of artistes, like Mdlle. Chapuy, who combine finished vocalisation with sympathetic quality of voice. She made little effect in the popular "Last Rose of Summer." In the "Spinning Quartet" the soprano has it all her own way; the other three singers merely the soprano has it all her own way; the other three singers merely singing vocal harmonies in accompaniment to the brilliant soprano melody. It is sufficient to say that Madame Trebelli, Signor Fancelli and Herr Behrens sang their music as well as possible, and helped Mdlle. Varesi as much as they could; but the usual encore was withheld, and not one plaudit was bestowed! We have no wish to criticise Mdlle. Varesi harshly, for we fully appreciate her polished art; but in her case, as, formerly, in those of Mdlles. Lodi, Singelli, and others, we simply discharge our duty the public in pointing out the deficiencies of artists whom we are the public in pointing out the deficiencies of artists whom we are asked to accept as finished prime donne, but whom we find to be unentitled to that position. Herr Behrens, as Plunketto, gave a genial impersonation, and sang well. It is unlucky for him that the quality of his voice is guttural and harsh, and at times suggests the gust of wind through a forest of gooseberry-bushes; but it must be admitted that he does his best with small means, and that his earnestness and heartiness do much to atone for his vocal defects. Of Signor Fiorini's Tristano it is only necessary to say that it was satisfactory. The ballet dancers did their work well, the the date of the volte well, the choristers and band gave few occasions for praise, and if any one else but Sir Michael Costa had been the conductor, he would have been severely reprimanded for the slovenly performance of Flotow's familiar opera. For to-night, Mozart's Nozze di Figaro is announced.

ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA:

AMBROISE THOMAS'S opera, Hamlet, produced on Thursday ast, has been the only recent novelty at Covent Garden. Linda di Chamouni, announced for production on Saturday last, was withdrawn, and Lucia di Lammermoor was substituted. It is not likely that Linda will be produced this season; which must be a source of regret to those who know how charming is Molle. Albani's impersonation of the title-character. For to-night Ricci's light little opera, *Crispino e la Comare*, is announced, with Mdlle. Bianchi as Annetta; a part which should suit her admirably. Crispino will be played by the new buffo, Signor Conti; and as the Fabrizio and Mirabolano will be Signori Capponi and Tagliañco, a successful interpretation will be secured for the celebrated comic trio, which is the best thing in the opera, and is, indeed, one of the best comic trios, for male voices, ever written. deed, one of the best comic trios, for male voices, ever written. Aida has drawn very large houses. M. Capoul has continued too ill to make his promised debut as Fra Diavolo. French musical journals say that he has refused to make his debut in that part. It really matters very little. 'Signor De Sanctis now sings the music better than M. Capoul ever could do, because Signor De Sanctis has a better voice, and knows how to use it. M. Capoul may be admired for his "pretty" features, but his voice is far from agreeable in quality, and, as an artist, he has always appeared to us to be much over-rated.

Mr. Edwin Holland's matinée at the Beethoven Rooms on Wednesday last was brilliantly attended and highly successful. Mrs. Osgood, Madame and Signor Barri, MM. Guy, Maybrick, Mrs. Osgood, Madame and Signor Barri, MM. Guy, Maybrick, Wadmore, Adelman, and Stefano assisted, and also M. Daubert (violoncello) and Signor Tito Mattei, whose pianoforte solo, "Rève d'une Valse," was heartily encored. The bénéficiare's own tasteful singing was warmly applauded, and his talents as a teacher were exemplified by the vocal performances of two pupils—Miss Mason, a young lady with a pretty and well-cultivated voice, who sang "Waiting" and "Robert, toi que j'aime," and another pupil, a gentleman endowed with an exceptionally fine baritone voice, which was heard to great advantage in Mattei's baritone voice, which was heard to great advantage in Mattei's "Non e ver?" and also in the duet, "La ci darem," sung with Miss Mason. The conductors were Signori Romili and Barri.

The Alexandra Palace Company will next Tuesday begin their annual series of "Summer Evening Promenade Concerts," under annual series of "Summer Evening Fromenade Concerts," under the direction of Mr. Weist Hill. A special orchestra is being con-structed in the middle of the geat Central Hall; the band will be increased to 130 performers; the choir of the Palace will execute glees, madrigals, &c., and the principal artistes will be selected from the leading and most favourite vocalists of the present day. After each concert there will be a pyrotechnical display; and special trains will be provided.

On the 15th instant, for the benefit of Mr. Hamilton Clarke, a gentleman widely known and respected, who is just recovering

gentleman widely known and respected, who is just recovering from a long and painful illness, a first-class concert of a very at-tractive character will take place at the Langham Hall in Great Portugal-street. A large number of the most distinguished artists have already proffered their services, and the applications for admission have made a most promising commencement. Tickets may be obtained of Mr. D'Oyly, of Craig's-court, Charing Cross.

THE DRAMA.

THE season of French plays at the Royalty terminated on Friday night last week; on Saturday, as noticed below, the Charing Cross Theatre re-opened under a new manager, and with a new programme, and Mr. Tom Taylor's Russian drama The Serf, was revived at the Olympic.

At the Globe the run of Miss Gwilt terminated on Tuesday evening, when it was represented for the last time. On the following Ada Cavendish appeared, on the occasion of iowing evening Miss Ada Cavendish appeared, on the occasion of her benefit, in her great part of Mercy Merrick, in *The New Magdalen*, and for the first time as Helen in the comedy scenes in The Hunchback, and repeated the former impersonation on Thursday and last night, when her engagement terminated. To-night Mdlle. Beatrice and her comedy company commence an engagement, and will appear for a limited number of nights in *Frou-Frou*.

At the Royal Aquarium Theatre, a farewell representation of To is announced for this afternoon, and the season will terminate to-night with a varied and attractive programme for the benefit of Miss Jenny Lee, who, in addition to other assumptions, will appear with Mr. Edgar Bruce, as Mrs. and Mr. Honyton in

Happy Couple.
The season at the Olympic will also end to-night, when Mr. Henry Neville is to deliver a short valedictory address.

At the Haymarket, L'Etrangere will be represented for the last time to-night, and on Monday will be revived O'Keefe's comedy of Wild Oats, with Mr. Charles Harcourt as Rover, and Miss

Henrietta Hodson as the Lady Amurinth.

STRAND THEATRE.

AFTER their lengthened run, His Last Legs and The Rival After their lengthened run, Mis Last Legs and The Rival Othellos were replaced in the programme of this theatre, on Thursday, last week by a new farce by Mr. Frank Green, entitled The Dress Coat, and a revival of Mr. Arthur Sketchley's comedy, Living at Ease, which will be found as exhilarating as their predecessors. The Dress Coat is a bustling farce of the old school, full of ludicrous incidents and practical fun, arising from the prediction of the prediction of the production of the prediction of the predict dicament in which two commercial travellers find themselves, having borrowed from the waiter a dress coat to enable them to go to a county ball. L'Africaine continued on the bill, to be replaced on Thursday by a revival of Nemesis.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.

MR. TOM TAYLOR'S Russian drama, The Serf, or Love Levels All, originally produced at this theatre eleven years ago, for the bene-All, originally produced at this theatre eleven years ago, for the benefit of Miss Kate Terry, who added to her many previous triumphs by her forcible and touching impersonation of the principal female character, the Countess of Mauleon, was revived here on Saturday evening, and with marked success. Although the fame achieved by Les Danicheff at the St. James's may have suggested the resuscitation here of this somewhat kindred play, Mr. Taylor's drama possesses such inherent dramatic interest, and the leading characters are so sympathetic, as of themselves to justify its revival, and with every prospect of a renewal of the success which attended and with every prospect of a renewal of the success which attended its first production. Mr. Henry Neville resumes his original part of Ivan Khorvich, the reputed serf, who becomes famous as an artist, at Paris, where he wins the love of the noble Countess de Mau-

leon, having for his rival, the Count Karatoff, who accidentally learning the secret of Ivan's ignoble birth, and eventually becoming by inheritance Ivan's lord and master, degrades and humiliates his serf in the presence of the countess, whose devoted love remains steadfast, and is rewarded at the end, when Ivan turns and the the their transfer of the counters. out to be the rightful heir to the estates, and his bitter enemy and tyrant, Count Karatoff is, in reality, the serf. This denouement is brought about by the dying declaration of an old serf, Khor, who brought about by the dying declaration of an old serf, Khor, who confesses that, for the purposes of future vengeance, he had changed the infants. Miss Carlotta Addison, in Miss Kate Terry's part of the heroine, acts with graceful tenderness and feeling. Mr. Palmer succeeds Mr. Horace Wigan as Khor, the strange old serf; Mr. Haywell effectively represents the disagreeable rôle of Count Karatoff, originally filled by the late George Vincent; and Messrs. Lytton Sothern and George Neville, and Miss Hazleton and Mrs. Stephens lend efficient aid in other characters. Mr. Farjeon's Home, Sweet Home, greatly improved since the first representation, has continued in the bills as a first piece, and now proves interesting. The season concludes topiece, and now proves interesting. The season concludes to-night, when Mr. Neville will deliver a short address.

CHARING CROSS THEATRE.

AFTER a short recess, this theatre re-opened on Saturday evening, under new management, that of Mr. Maurice de Féece, of Liverpool, with a new programme, consisting of Offenbach's operetta, "66," and the old Adelphi drama, *The Marble Heart*; and a new company, nearly all the members of which are strangers on the London boards. The operetta "66," now represented for the first line in its patients in England in worse strate. gers on the London boards. The operetta "66," now represented for the first time in its entirety in England, is a mere sketch, of the slightest kind, with some pretty and catching music, agreeably sung by Mr. A. Brennir and Miss Edith Percy, as a pair of simple Tyrolese peasants (Frantz and Grittly), and Mr. Norman Kirby (baritone), as a pedlar. The plot is a mere episode. Ferdinand Volage, by Mr. G. R. Ireland, and Maria, by Miss Amy Singleton, who made her first appearance, indicating future excellence. Mr. H. E. Walton gave a forcible, but too melodramatic, rendering of the hero, Raphael Duchatlet, the young sculptor, who dies for love of the marble-hearted courtezan, Mdlle. Marco, satisfactorily sustained by Miss Annie Baldwin. Mdle. Marco, satisfactorily sustained by Miss Annie Baldwin. The other leading characters found careful exponents in Messrs. W. Hogarth, W. Holman, and R. Roberts.

THE ground given by Mr. Flowers, of Stratford-on-Avon, for the proposed Shakspearean Memorial Theatre and Hall, was purchased at a cost of £2,000; he has also given £1,000 towards the building. The site is on the Avon bank, in Waterside-street, having been recovered from the river by a process of embankment. The building will face the entrance of the street in which Shakspeare died, and is not far from the birthplace. In the gardens attached to it will be planted, so far as is possible, all the flowers and plants mentioned by the poet in his plays, and these grounds are to be thrown open to the public. The design selected is simple in character and inexpensive (the architects being Messrs. Dodgshun and Unsworth, names with which we are not familiar), and from the giver an excellent view of the new theorem. from the river an excellent view of the new theatre will be obtained, of which we earnestly hope it may be worthy. We understand that a design, in excellent taste, imitative of the old Globe Theatre, on the Bankside, in Southwark, by Mr. Barry, was rejected in favour of that by the above-named architects. The site is about 480 yards from the church in which the poet was buried.

Miss Cowen gave a very enjoyable soirée d'invitation at St. George's Hall, on the 6th instant. It was, we believe, this young lady's first attempt in public, and the result must have been very satisfactory to herself and friends. The hall was crowded to excess, and many went reluctantly away unable to obtain admission. The subjects selected were varied, and gave full scope to the young lady's elecutionary and dramatic powers.

The following was excluded by press of copy from our last issue On Thursday week a motion was made before Vice-Chancellor Hall on behalf of Mr. Francis Charles Fairlie, for an injunction to Hall on behalf of Mr. Francis Charles Fairlie, for an injunction to restrain the defendant Bumbury from interfering with the general management of the Globe Theatre; and for the appointment of a fit and proper person to be the receiver and manager of the theatre. Mr. Dickinson, Q.C., and Mr. Romer appeared in support of the motion; and Mr. Shear was for the defendant. Mr. Dickinson, Q.C., said that, subject to an interest in the profits of the Globe Theatre purchased by the defendant, the plaintiff was its lessee and manager. The defendant entered into an engagement with the plaintiff to advance him £2 000. Articles on engagement with the plaintiff to advance him £2,000. Articles of partnership were entered into. Of the £2,000, £900 remained unpaid. Mr. Fairlie went on managing the business of the theatre, and there was no real grievance as to the mode in which he conducted the business; but the plaintiff by his statement of claim charged the defendant with improperly interfering in the claim charged the defendant with improperly interfering in the management, taking possession of private boxes which had been let, preventing the engagement of certain artistes and others, to the injury of the theatre. The learned counsel now asked that the plaintiff should be appointed the receiver, and that the defendant should be restrained by injunction from interfering with the business of the theatre. Mr. Shear said he did not object to an injunction, providing that no preference was given to the plaintiff's nomince as receiver. The defendant denied that he had been guilty of misconduct as alleged. After some discussion, the matter stood over by consent for ten days, in order that the defendant might file his defence.

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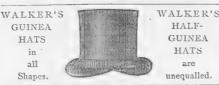
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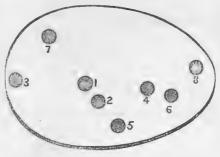
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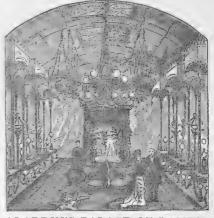
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10. VALLATION (loaled 1861) (dam of Valuer, &c.) by Vedette out of Planistry (St. Giles's dam) by Sleight of Hand; covered by Y. Trumpeter out of Fairy by Hermit out of La Femme Sage by Gainsborough; with colt foal by Caterer, and covered by Pax.

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by Lingerer.
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of Moss Rose by Touchstone; with bay filly by Friwonnier.

3. EURYANTHE, chestnut mare by The Baron, her dam Allumette by Taurus; with chestnut colt foal by Jove.

4. GALETTE, bay mare by Newcastle out of Rolypoly by Vindex; with bay colt foal by Knight of St. Patrick.

6. BONNIE DOON, bay mare out of Mountain Maid; with bay colt foal by Lingerer.

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YACHTING.

ROYAL CINQUE PORTS' YACHT CLUB.

OUR reports of the regatta of the above club were excluded by press of copy from last week's issue. In consequence of the hot press of copy from last week's issue. In consequence of the hot calm, the matches set down for Friday took place on Saturday, when there was a smart easterly breeze. The schooner racing only gave Olga and Egeria. In the yawl class Florinda had for competitors Gertrude, Raven, Surf, and Rosabelle—all good vessels in their way; but, with a strong breeze and open water, it was a gold dollar to a ten-cent greenback on the Gosport craft. The cutters, however, promised a strife which would be worth the hauling out of dock for. In the large class there were Arrow, Vol-au-Vent, Cuckoo, Fiona, and Iona; but a straggling start and a subsequent chapter of accidents rendered the match less interesting than it ought to have been. The match so far as the sailteresting than it ought to have been. The match, so far as the sailteresting than it ought to have been. The match, so far as the saling was concerned, was principally remarkable for the fine performances of Arrow and Cuckoo. Cuckoo, after over-reaching, threw up the race in order to stand by Fiona, when, carrying her canvas bravely, she lost a man off her cross-trees, through her topmast breaking, and we regret to say the poor fellow was drowned. Iona lost about a couple of minutes at the start, and in reaching out to the Varne felt the want of more canvas. However, the chief to the lightching the hung, up in a surprising ever, in beating to the lightship she hung up in a surprising manner in the second round, when there was much more wind and sea. Neptune sailed well, as did Britannia. Hypatia came cleverly to windward. In the 20-tons class Fleetwing appeared about to win another Lord Warden's Cup, but the honour devolved on the redoubtable Vanessa. Butterfly sailed remarkably

The schooner match on Saturday's card was started first, at 11.45, for a prize value £60, given by Mr. W. Jessop, and gold medal, with silver medal for sailing master. The course wasseven miles S. by W. to the Varne Buoy; thence twelve miles N.E, to the South Sand Head Lightship; and six miles west to the starting line, twenty-two and a half miles; twice round, forty-five miles. At the Dover mark the match ended at:—

H. M. S. | 4 45 21 | Egeria... Egeria won the £60 cup and gold medal, value £10, given by the club.

The first cutter match from Friday's card was next started, at

MATCH, for Cutters exceeding 60 tons, for £60 and gold medal, with silver medal for sailing master; course the same as schooners; time allowance V.R.A. scale.

Yacht.	Tons.		. Owner.		
Arrow	117		· Mr. T. Chamberlayne allows	M.	S.
Vol-au-vent	103		Col. Markham	3	10
Cuckoo	92		Mr. H. Hall	- 5	58
Fiona	78	,	Mr. E. Boutcher	IO	- 5
Iona	'65		Mr. J. Ashbury, M.P	14	36
cens . 1 91		42 - 4	11-1-1-C		

The time allowance was that calculated for a fifty miles course, but the length of course sailed was a bare forty-five miles. As only verbal instructions were issued as to the order of starting the different matches, it was not surprising that one out of the lot should misunderstand what, no doubt, were considered perfect arrangements.

All had lower sail set excepting Iona, which had single-reefed mainsail, and all had jib-headers aloft excepting Iona, who put up small working square header. Cuckoo was first across the line, followed by Fiona, about a minute or a little more later. Then came Vol-au-vent half a minute in advance of Arrow, and Iona about two minutes astern of the latter. With the wind on the quarter, all pulled up jib topsails and balloon foresails for the broad reach out to the Varne Buoy. Cuckoo reached out very fast, and Arrow, dropping Vol-au-vent, was soon up ahead of Fiona. The Iona was dropped very fast, and the yawls that were Fiona. The Iona was dropped very fast, and the yawls that were started five minutes after she crossed the line caught her just as they got to the buoy. They hauled round the buoy at:

	H. M. S.		H.	м.	S.
Cuckoo	12 42 10	Vol-au-vent	12	44	25
		Iona	12	54	15
Fiona	12 44 10				
mi attended the Contain	To often on a				

The time at the finish being:

II. M. S. H. M. S. H. M. S. Neptune 3 3 25 ... Britannia 3 8 32 ... Hypatia 3 13 33 ... Ellida 3 29 32 Neptune winning.

The MATCH for £50 cup, given by Mr. F. Crawshay, for Yawls, with gold medal, and silver medal for sailing master. Course, the same as schooners; twice round.

Soon after rounding, the jaws of Rosabella's gaff broke, and she gave up. The first round was completed at:

H. M. S.	H. M. S.	H. M. S.
Florinda 2 39 2	Gertrude 2 51 43 Surf	· 2 56 13
The Surf did not go	the .second round; but Gertrude	pluckily
sailed the race out, the	match ending as under:	

aned the face out, the	 		 		
Florinda		S. 20	Gertrude	M. 40	

Florinda was the winner. MATCH for the Lord Warden's Cup, for yachts not exceeding 30 tons.

Course the same as the large cutters; once round.

Yacht. Tons. Owner. Vanessa..... 20Mr. F. Cox. Fleetwing... 20Mr. H. Little. Butterfly... 20 Mr. F. T. Williams.

Fleetwing was first across the line, followed by Vanessa and Butterfly. In the run from the lightship into Dover, Vanessa got past Fleetwing, and Butterfly lost ground. The match ended as

Vanessa won the Lord Warden's Cup and gold medal, and her sailing-master was awarded the club silver medal.

MATCH for Cutters not o

arc	it for Cutters not exceeding 15 tons, for a prize value £15	erne
	medal.	
	Yacht. Tons. Owner.	
I	Oudu 15 Mr. Sparvel Bayley.	
	Duiver Mr. T. Chamberlayne.	
C	lymene 12 Mr. P. B. Claris.	
- 2	Cephyr 10 Messrs. A. J. and F. C. Lit	ttle.

This little fleet was led by Dudu, and, after a capital race, the match ended as under i--

Clymene gave up. Dudu won by eight seconds from Quiver. On coming into harbour after dark, Zephyr got on the rocks, and was very seriously damaged. MATCH for Bona fide Cruisers, for a prize given by Mr. J. R. Kirby and

gold medal.	
Yacht. Rig. Tons. S. Rig.	Owner. daldill
Irene Yawl 55	Mr. H. Crossley.
Georgiana Schooner 1	Mr. G. W. Nelson, 11
Rosebud Yawl 57	Mr. C. P. Dean.
Dream Schooner 182 82	Mr. E. W. Meade-Waldo.

Rosebud soon passed the Dream in reaching out to the Varne Lightship, and frene gave up in consequence of her throat hal-yards bursting. The time at the finish was—

н. м. s. | 3 39 58 | Rosebud

Dream won the prize and gold medal, and Rosebud the entrance fees. This match raised the question as to what is a bona fide cruiser, and the definition seemed wanting. However, the club officers decided that the Medora schooner and Hirondelle

yawl are not such. On Monday, with a softer wind, the fine entry of yachts made for the Boulogne match went out of the Granville Dock to struggle for the valuable prizes.

With the Boulogne match the regatta may be said to have ended, as the Channel race to Cowes, sailed on the next day, took all the yachts away. On the whole the regatta must be considered a good one.

THE CHANNEL MATCH, DOVER TO COWES.

The start was made for three o'clock in the afternoon, and at the time of leaving a fog-bank of portentous line was hanging away to the S.E., and hiding up the French coast. The Olga and Egeria were driving, with two spinnakers and main booms square off, in mist and darkness, as night turned in so dense that neither object nor light could have been picked up at the distance of a ship's length off. About four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon the Channel fog was dead beat, and in the locality of the east of the Wight the leading boats opened out to view, when it was found that the Arethusa was first, with Egeria, Olga, and Arrow next. Under the circumstances, the Boadicea had no opportunity of testing her speed with the Olga and Egeria, or the Medora of illustrating her sea-going abilities. The Arrow slipped the Hypatia in the same way that the Arethusa did the fleet; but how and where these and other matters occurred in this eventful The start was made for three o'clock in the afternoon, and at how and where these and other matters occurred in this eventful match, is one of the secrets of the sea. In the way of racing detail there is little, of course, to give, but the match itself was certainly a feature—fortunately rare—and lucky it is that nothing bad came out of the "racing in a fog" down the English

OCEAN RACE from Dover to Cowes, for yachts of any rig or tonnage, belonging to any recognised yacht club of any nation; prizes £100, presented by the Vice-Commodore, the Marquis of Londonderry. First prize £50, second prize £30, third prize £20. The first yacht in to determine the rig of winner of the £50 prize, the first yacht of other rig in to determine the rig of winner of the £30 prize; and the yacht of rig differing from both the above saving her time to win the £20 prize; the yachts to sail with all their boats and fittings in ordinary cruising trim, to the satisfaction of the committee, and to carry all their usual anchors and cables; a pilot, but no extra hands allowed.

Vacht

Rig.

Tops

Owner

Yacht.	Rig.	Tons		Owner.
Medora	Schooner	163		Mr. P. Reid.
Florinda	Yawl	136		Mr. W. Jesson.
Olga	Schooner	215		Mr. I. A. Hankey.
Australia	Schooner	207	********	Mr. W. W. Hughes.
Arrow	Cutter	115		Mr. T. Chamberlayne.
Hypatia	Cutter	44	********	Mr. W. Gordon.
Egeria	Schooner	153		Mr. J. Mulholland, M.P.
Boadicea	Schooner	378		Mr. C. S. A. Thellusson.
Raven	Yawl	бо-	*******	Col. Sterling.
Arethusa	Yawl	60		Capt. Murphy.
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Starting punctually at three o'clock, the Florinda was found to be the only absentee, and Raven led over the line with boom well squared to port; Hypatia followed, then Arethusa, Arrow, Egeria, Olga, Boadicea, Medora, and Australia. Carrying a fine following breeze, Folkestone was passed at 3.55, and here the first signs of a closing-in fog bank became apparent. The sky soon clouded over, and a damp air, with thick haze in the offing. Fron Folkestone towards Dungeness the Arrow led the fleet, with Egeria wide on her port quarter, Boadicea, far off in the Channel, third, then Olga, who had drawn across the Raven's bow; the yawls next; and roaring up astern came Australia, the Medora in her modest attire looking very neat and comfortable, but at the wrong end of the line. With the gathering mist the wind dropped somewhat, and at 5.20, through the haze, Dungeness Point was passed by Boadicea, then Arrow, about two minutes astern. minutes astern.

The Arcthusa, during the night, had slipped the Raven and passed the Boadicea, else there was nothing known by anyone of their positions until getting in towards the Nab about three, when the Arethusa was made out ahead by the Egeria; and the Olga simultaneously made, during a rift in the fog, the Arrow in for the Dean, and a yawl—the Raven—away for Bembridge, the the Dean, and a yawl—the Raven—away for Bembridge, the latter evidently having overrun her distance a very long piece. Just past the Bullock Patch the fog was fairly sailed out of, and, carrying a nice breeze, Arethusa, Egeria, Olga, and Arrow went in towards Cowes, the Raven further to the westward, running down with flowing sheets. Nothing other astern could be made out until the Egeria and Olga were past the Noman, when two or three vessels were seen rising their topsails with the sun, who had now fairly eaten up the fog, shining on the white canvas. A lighter wind was felt along Ryde Sands, and then a nice breeze from the W.S.W. took them on the port tack, just so that the N.W. Middle could be fetched. Standing on towards Eaglehurst, they came on the starboard tack for the markboat in Cowes Roads, which a short shoot took them round, and an eventful match was decided thus: match was decided thus:

H. M. S.	
Arethusa (winner 1st prize) 4 58 20	Raven 6 2 41
Egeria (winner schooner	Boadicea 6 32 58
	Medora 0 40 9
Olga 5 33 0	Hypatia not timed.
Arrow (winner cutter prize) 5 37 58	

ROYAL MERSEY YACHT CLUB .- The annual regatta of this ROYAL MERSEY YACHT CLUB.—The annual regatta of this club took place on Saturday, there being one day's racing only this year, instead of two, as has generally been the case. The date fixed upon was unfortunate, as it followed so soon after the Dover regatta that the yachts competing there had not time to get to the Mersey soon enough to take part in the proceedings. Thus the two principal matches were deprived of much of their interest, some of the yachts entered for them only arriving at Liverpool on the afternoon of Saturday. The day's racing was a fluky one, as the wind fell to a calm during the matches, but it freshened up again in the afternoon, until the yachts had as much as they could carry. There was a goodly chapter of accidents, one yessel losing carry. There was a goodly chapter of accidents, one vessel losing her mast, and two others their topmasts. But the most serious accident was that which happened to the Neva. When stowing her jib topsail on the bowsprit, one of the men was washed off by the heavy sea, but fortunately he caught hold of the bowsprit shrouds, and, with the assistance of his mates, got on board, well scaked, but none the worse. The features of the day's racing were the remarkably good sailing of the Myosotis, and the very indifferent performance of the Mabel, which in first-rate racing hands was expected to make a good fight with the Neva, even if she did not beat her. So long as the course was reaching in smooth water she did fairly well, but as soon as sheets were got aboard and the sea got up, she dropped astern and to the leeward of the Neva very fast. The Myosotis, with by no means the best of the luck, honestly beat the Bloodhound on every point of sailing. The course for the first two classes was from Liverpool round the Bar and North-west Lightship, thence round the Bell Buoy back to Liverpool, leaving the Bar Lightship on the starboard hand. The wind was about west when these two classes started at ten o'clock. Britannia, Coralie, Iona, and Corisande were not in the river, and Latona did not start. Square-headed topsails were set by all, Mabel and Bloodhound leading their classes, having the best stations to windward. The two forty-tonners were sailing wonderfully well, but Myosotis did best, and fairly outsailed Wonderfully Well, but Myosofts did best, and fairly outsafted Bloodhound all day. At the finish the timing was—Chanticleer (winner of £30), 5h 30m 37s; Neva (winner of £70), 5h 44m 31s; Myosotis (winner of £50), 5h 56m 26s; Bloodhound (winner of £20), 5h 57m 36s. Mabel was not timed. Neva thus won easily. In the 20-ton class Butterfly was absent; but Challenge and Sunshine had a capital race, the new boat only winning by 35s., thus:

-Challenge (winner of £30), 3h 24m; Sunshine (winner of £10), 3h. 24m. 35s; Playmate, 3h 34m 33s. Fairlie was first in the class for 15-tonners, and they were timed:—Fairlie (winner of Cup), 2h 40m. 43s; Ildegonda, 2h 42m 43s; Queen, 2h 42m 46s; Glide, 2h 50m 51s. In the 10-ton match the Pastime carried away her mast about eight feet from the deck, and had to be towed to Liverpool. The others were timed:—Queta (winner of £20). 2h 35m 40s; Elaine (winner of £5), 2h 41m 25s.; Naiad, 2h 42m 25s; Wonderful, 2h 48m 33s. This brought a good day's racing to a conclusion.

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PRINCE OF WALES YACHT CLUB MATCH.—The match of the Prince of Wales Yacht Club, which was to have been from Erith round the Nore and back, 15 tons allowing to tons 9m 44s time, and the Paquita, yawl (all the rest being cutters), counting 7½ tons only, was sailed on Monday. The starters at 12.7 p.m. were the Paquita, 10 tons, Mr. R. M. Bowman; Torch, 15, Mr. W. H. Williams, Dudy, 15, Mr. I. A. Sparrel Bayly; Red were the Paquita, 10 tons, Mr. R. M. Bowman; Torch, 15, Mr. W. H. Williams; Dudu, 15, Mr. J. A. Sparrel Bayly; Red Rover, 15, Mr. S. Nightingale; and the Hebe, 10 tons, Mr. R. V. Asser. The wind was very, very light from S.E., and the air hot and sultry, threatening rain. They passed off Greys about 8.10 p.m. At 8.17 the three, beam and beam, were on the port tack, standing, a pistol shot apart, for Stoneness Point, behind which the grey sky was reddening with the setting sun. Torch held her lead to the end, and the race closed:—Torch, 8h 56m 37s, taking the first prize, valued at £20; Dudu, 8h 57m 50s, the second, valued at £10, both which were duly presented afterwards by Commodore Long, and Red Royer coming in at 6h 0m 45s. by Commodore Long, and Red Rover coming in at 9h om 45s. The others not timed.

CHESHIRE YACHT CLUB.-The matches of this club sailed on Monday; the two new yachts, Butterfly and Florence, met the best of their class. There was a favourable sailing breeze most of the day, and the sailing was very good. In the ten-ton class the Florence won with ease, after getting rather the worst of the start, and there can be no doubt she is a very fast yessel. The Elaine and Glide did not start. All three classed were started together at 1.5, with a light south wind. In the 20-ton class Playmate got a long lead, being some distance below the line; but the others got away on pretty equal terms. All had square-headers set, and spinnakers were boomed out until after passing the Crosby Lightship, when they had to come in. The timing was:—Sunshine (winner of 225), 5h11m7s; Challenge, 5h17m11s; Butterfly, 5h22m1s; Playmate, 5h27m25s; Ildegonda, 5h27m29s; Fairlie, 5h27m43s; Queen, 5h30m40s. The Fairlie, having to Fairlie, 5h 27m 43s; Queen, 5h 30m 40s. The Fairlie, having to receive 58sec, saved her time easily; but Ildegonda had a protest against her on account of her not being in proper line at the start,

and so the prize was not awarded.

PRINCE OF WALES YACHT CLUB.—At a committee meeting of the above club held on Monday evening at the Freemasons' Tavern, matters in connection with the handicap match, open to the world, without entrance fee, from Gravesend to Ramsgate, on July 15, were discussed, and the entries fixed to close at 9 p.m., on the 10th.

ROYAL LONDON YACHT CLUB.—The monthly meeting of the above club was held at the club house, 22, Regent-street, Mr. W. H. Ridgway in the chair. Mr. C. Herbert Fauvel, R.N., the secretary, having read the minutes of the previous meeting, and other routine business having been transacted, a number of gentlemen were elected members, including Mr. J. A. Dixon, owner of the May yacht; Mr. W. F. Williams, of the Merlin; Mr. W. G. Brighton, of the Cobra; and Mr. W. C. Campbell of the Orocle. The handicap match for cruising yachts, from Ramsgate to Boulogne, takes place on Monday, July 17, when a large entry of yachts is expected. The entries close at the club house, Regentstreet, on Monday next, at 6 p.m.

YACHTING.—Yachts and yacht clubs have increased in an extraordinary manner during the last ten years. Strange to say, the largest of the whole list of British vessels belongs to a lady, Mrs. largest of the whole list of British vessels belongs to a lady, Mrs. Gerard Leigh. It is a steam yacht of 608 tons. Mr. Charles Thelluson owns the largest sailing yacht in British waters—it is 400 tons. It was the year before King George IV. came to Ireland that the first yacht club was started in Cork; now there are at least 50 clubs, and the number of yachts afloat is 2,000. The largest yacht in the world belongs to the Czarewitch. "Do" AND "Don'r."—An American contemporary delivers the following coxionatic sayings under this heading.—"Don't stand up in a boat; don't sit on the rail of a boat; don't let your garments trail overboard; don't step into a boat except in her middle: don't rise in a boat before you are alongside: don't pull

middle; don't rise in a boat before you are alongside; don't pull under the bows of a ship—it looks green, and the consequences might be fatal; don't forget to 'in fenders' every time you shove off; don't forget that a loaded boat keeps her headway longer than a light one; don't make fast with a hitch that will jam; don't lower away with the plug out; keep the plug on hand by a small lanyard to it, so that it cannot be 'led astray' and have to be hunted up when needed. Do.—Do hoist your flags chock up —nothing betokens the landsman more than slovenly colours; do haul taut all your gear; do see that no 'Irish pennants' are flying adrift aloft; do have a long scope out in a gale; do see that your crew keeps in its place and does not boss the quarter deck; do keep your men tidy and looking sailor-like; do limit the 'cocktails' aft, and pay more attention to working ship; do keep to leeward of competing yachts when you are not in the match your-self, and do learn to be your own skipper and navigator.

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ATHLETICS AT DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.—These famous sports were brought to a satisfactory conclusion at Dublin, with the following results:—220 Yards Handicap—C. P. Hamilton (8 yards start), 1; W. E. Barter (4 yards), 2; W. Kidd (10 yards), 3; won by a foot: same between second and third. Time, 23 4-5 sec. Four Miles Walking Handicap—F. St. G. Worrall (40 sec. start), 1; W. C. Williams (scratch), 2; won by 120 yards. Time, 33min 22sec. Mile—W. H. Wilson, 1; H. O. Moore, 2; won by five yards. Time 4min 48sec. Hundred Yards—W. E. Barter, 1; A. P. Cronyn, 2; won by half a yard. Time, 10 3-5 sec. 33min 22sec. Mile—W. H. Wilson, 1; H. O. Moore, 2; won by five yards. Time 4min 48sec. Hundred Yards—W. E. Barter, 1; A. P. Cronyn, 2; won by half a yard. Time, 10 3-5 sec. High Jump—G. M. Kenny, 5ft. 8½in., 1. The Four Mile Bicycle Race—R. Hassard, 1; S. Carolan, 2; won by 500 yards. Time, 15min. 37sec. Half Mile—J. F. Duering, 1; G. Seawright, 2; won by 12 yards. Time, 2min. 13sec. Six Hundred Yards—A. P. Cronyn, 1; H. O. Moore, 2; won by two yards. Time 1min. 20sec. Hurdle Race—W. J. Hamilton, 1; C. P. Hamilton, 2; won by three yards. Time, 18min. 1 5sec. Putting the Weight—G. M. Kenny, 36ft. 10in., 1. Quarter of a Mile Handicap—C. P. Hamilton, 12 yards, 1; A. L. Cronyn (scratch) and P. E. Cronelm ran a dead heat for second place in 53sec. Wide Jump—C. P. Hamilton, 18ft. 4in. 1. Three Miles—J. F. Denning, 1. Time, 16min. 57sec. Time, 16min. 57sec

THE VOLUNTEER REVIEW .- On last Saturday evening some 30,000 Volunteers passed in review order in Hyde Park before the Prince of Wales, furnishing a palpable proof that, although seven-teen years have elapsed since the issue of General Peel's permissive circular, the foundations of our Volunteer auxiliary force are firmer than ever. The vast and splendid concourse which witnessed the few trying evolutions performed must have gone home impressed with the conviction that they had seen the representatives of a formidable reality. We need not say that the review was a bril-

liant success in every way.

SUMMER · DRINK.—REFRESHING.—Champagne Cyder, Lime Juice and Lemon Cordial. Important articles for health, and temperate. See pamphlet. Sold everywhere, and wholesale by Messrs. Henley and Son, Joiner-street, Tooley-street, London Bridge Railway Station, S.E.—



A PLAY IN A LONDON INN YARD IN THE TIME OF QUEEN ELIZABETH.



BEN JONSON AT THE "DEVIL" TAVERN—INTRODUCTION OF RANDOLPH.



CRYSTAL PALACE.

THE annual Rose Show drew a numerous company on Friday and Saturday to the Crystal Palace. The fine display of choice roses was supplemented by some charmingly tasteful table deccrations, wedding and opera bouquets; and a miscellaneous collection of cut flowers was displayed along the south nave and in part of the concert room. Considering the backward season, cold nights and early mornings we have experienced, the show may be regarded as successful. Many of the specimens were magnificent in colour and proportion. To Mr. B. R. Cant, of Colchester, fell the honour of first prize in each of the three classes, comprising 72, 48, and 24 varieties of roses. In the contention between amateurs, Mr. R. N. G. Baker, of Heavitree, Devon, took the first prize in classes 7, 8, and 9, and Mr. Charles Hepburn, decorative florist of the palace, took the first prize for opera bouquets and button-hole bouquets. The arrangements of the show were ably carried out under the direction of Mr. Wilson, the company's naturalist.

Saturday afternoon had also been fixed for the fifteenth annual display of the German Gymnastic Society, and as the hour appointed for the exercises approached there was a considerable accession to the multitude, which, despite the counter attractions of the great volunteer review, congregated within the Palace. The members, as they marched into the space allotted to them, were loudly cheered, and we have authority for stating that a fair proportion of the fine young fellows who devote themselves to the development of the chest and muscle were but remotely Teutons; some of the best performers being our own countrymen. At six o'clock the entire band, comprising upwards of 200 athletes, in neat costume of white guernseys and white duck trousers, relieved by blue or scarlet girdles, got to work. Herr Schweizer pre-sided over the feats of strength and skill, indefatigably seconded by the assistant-master, Herr A. A. Stemple. There was some fairly good boxing with the gloves, under the supervision of Mr. Ruhl, which is one of the best of exercises for promoting quickness of the eye, self-reliance, control of temper, readiness of physical repartee, and a wise disbursement of power. The club exercises were under the direction of Mr. Lemaire, and Mr. Cudby presided in the graceful exercitations of wrist and shoulder by the light weights. So strong and dexterous were some of the brawny wielders of the huge masses of hard wood, that they swayed them about as lightly as if they were of cork. The exercises on the horizontal bar were under the superintendence of Mr. C. P. Young, and were particularly good. "The tug of war" was introduced, two different trials being organised. The first was splendidly fought out, and victory for some minutes was in the balance. Those who were giving way at the outset held on like grim death, and watching the favourable opportunity, as soon as their antagonists were exhausted, steadily pulled them across the rope, amid a hurricane of joyous uproar. The display, which was in every sense a success, ended by the very pretty and symmetrical execution, by the members en masse, of the exercise known as "the maze," Herr Stemple guiding the convolutions.

Among the other pastimes which enlivened the close of the week at the great suburban pleasure haunt must be mentioned the archery tournament. The third and concluding meeting of toxopholites, which then terminated, was devoted to handicap toxopholites, which then terminated, was devoted to handicap shooting for prizes. In this contention, twenty-three ladies and twenty-four gentlemen competed. The handicap score prizes for ladies were obtained by Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Legh, and Miss Sharpe; while the prizes for "golds" fell to Mrs. W. Butt, Mrs. Kinahan, and Miss Chenery. The score prizes for gentlemen were awarded to Mr. W. Ford, Mr. Chapman, and Mr. Eyre Hussey; the "golds" being won by Mr. Hulme, Major Lewin, and again by Mr. Hulme.

SEVERAL events, confined to amateurs, were decided at Moston Park, near Manchester, on Saturday last, the attendance of spec-Yards Handicap for youths, a 120 and 440 Yards Handicap, a 300 Yards Maiden Handicap, and a Two Miles Bicycle Handicap. The entries were numerous, the fields large, and the finishes, more especially the opening heats of the sprint race, were of a close and interesting nature, reflecting great credit on the handicapping. Everything went off satisfactorily. Mr. T. Hayes, who for some years was lessee of the Copenhagen Grounds, officiated as referee, Mr. J. Barber as starter, and Mr. R. H. Smith as timekeeper.

RACEHORSE TRAINING IN THE OLDEN TIMES.—There is a curious old book by Gervase Markham, "printed by E.A., for Ed. White, and to be solde at his shop neere the little north doore of Saint Paule's Church, at the signe of the Gun, 1606," which may afford a striking idea of the changes made in horse-training since of Saint Paule's Church, at the signe of the Gun, 1000, "which may afford a striking idea of the changes made in horse-training since Pepys went to Epsom race-course—an advance which there can be no doubt the monetary importance of the Derby has immensely accelerated. "The winde (gentlemen) standing in the mouth of my cave," says the author, "hath blowne my loose papers into the world and canonysed me as foolish in Paule's Church Yard, as Sybilla was in Cuma." Nevertheless, Markham was a great authority in his day, and his "Secrets and art of trayning and dietting the horse for a course," were held in high esteem. "Having trained your horse," he says, "in this sort, evening and morning, for the space of two monthes, keeping him in good hunting dyett, and finding his speede and towardness to encrease, as there is no doubt but that it will, there being at the least five yeeres olde, you may adventure to course him more thorouly, and if oyther pleasure or necessity urge you, eyther runne bell course or wager." Minute directions follow for every stage in the training up to the trial spin over the course, at the end of which you are to "turne your horse gently about and bring him to the stake, where let him a little pause and smell a while, and if he will (as many will covet) let him rub himselfe thereon, to give him understanding that there is the prefixed ende of his labour, which knowledge he will attaine in short space." Markham recommends the trainer, just before running, to squirt a mouthful of vinegar in his postrils, the strengthe of which opens Markham recommends the trainer, just before running, to "squirt a mouthful of vinegar in his nostrils, the strengthe of which opens his pipes, making them apt for the receite of wind. This and many other detailed injunctions having been obeyed, then, says Markham, "leave him to the race, and when you come to the end thereof, the starting-post, where you must unclothe him, having the vinegar carried after you, do the like there, and so bequeathe him and yourselfe to God and good fortune. *Che sera sera*. There is another injunction of his, however, which to anyone who knows the length of training most race-horses undergo nowadays certainly is a little droll. "Having made a match," he says, "be alwaies well advised to reserve a month at the least to dyett, and make your horse fitte in hay if he have not been before in dyett for a course; if you reserve six weeks it shall be better, because a horse newlie entered into so strict a dyett will for the first fort-night mourne and fall away exceedinglie, that a month will be little enough to recover his strength and bring him to absolute perfection.

LAMPLOUGH'S PYRETIC SALINE.— HAVE IT IN YOUR HOUSES, AND USE NO OTHER; this alone is the true antidote in Fevers, Eruptive Affections, Sea or Bilious Sickness, having peculiar and exclusive ments. For the protection of the public against fraudulent imitations, I have applied for and again obtained a perpetual injunction, with costs, against a defendant. Observe the GENUINE has my NAME and TRADE MARK on a BUFF-COLOURED WRAPPER.— 113, Holborn-hill. London.—[ADVT.]

FETES AT THE ALEXANDRA PALACE.

THE SCOTCH FETE.

This fête was held on Saturday last. The pibroch playing was the best we ever had the pleasure of listening to, and the dancing was watched with great interest by all present. Classes 7, 8 and 9 found only two competitors each—Dinnie and Fleming, who are such splendid athletes that adversaries are difficult to progress having the least characteristic that the second of the state of the state of the state of the second of the state cure having the least chance with them. In class 8 the stone, or rather shot, used was one of 22lb, and after hurling this 37ft 10in, the winner, Donald Dinnie, took the usual 16lb shot, and made the enormous throw of 50ft gin, a distance, he informed us, that he had never exceeded under similar conditions. The largest caber on this occasion was a piece of wood sawn from the middle of a scaffold pole, 19ft 2in in length, and tapering from 7in at the thick, to 4in in diameter at the thin end.

The first of these Scottish gatherings, we believe, was held in Holland Park in 1847, under the direct patronage of the Queen, who attended on the two days, and they seem to be looked forward to with great interest by the Scotchmen resident in and near the metropolis. It should be mentioned that John Cameron, Lord Macduff's piper, was not allowed to compete in the Pibroch class, as he had already won the first prize at the Alexandra Palace, and the directors have determined not to allow it to be won by the same person a second time. The judges, some of whom were rather late in putting in an appearance, were Æneas Mackintosh, Esq., of Daviot; James Dyce Nicol, Esq., of Badentoy; W. P. M'Donald, Esq.; and J. C. M'Phee, Esq., President of the Gallic Society. the Gallic Society.

At the conclusion of the programme Mr. Æneas Mackintosh, addressing the Highlanders, congratulated them upon their great proficiency, and said that, as a Scotchman, he was proud of the excellence shown, and that in a career of twenty years as a judge at similar festivals their's was the best performance he had attended, and that the selection of winners had been a matter of great difficulty. He specially alluded to the playing of the lad J. J. Connan, and said that in a short time he hoped to award him a prize, and that it gave him great pleasure to be able to speak so highly of his ability. He then read out the names of the winners in each class, and Mr. C. Magnay, one of the directors of the Alexandra Palace, having proposed three cheers for the judges, the proceed-ings terminated.

THE FORESTERS' FETE.

THE "Foresters" benefit society with its 630 "courts" in the London United District alone, numbering 70,000 members, and altogether 500,000 members, is evidently an institution of no mean importance. The London United District, disburse £25,000 a year in aid of the sick, and the widows and orphans of deceased members, and it is with the very praiseworthy object of adding to that fund that they organise an annual fête. This year the locale chosen was the Alexandra Palace. The organisers of the fête were so profuse in their providing, that in some instances two per-formances were going on simultaneously in the building; and there were always the counter attractions of what was to be seen inside and in the charming park, with a succession of outdoor sports and spectacles. The attendance, however, was so great that the wisdom of this arrangement was soon apparent. A grand procession of the order, to the number of nearly 2,000, opened the lay's proceedings. Forming up with their banners and insignia, they paraded the grounds to the music of a capital band, and to the great satisfaction of the members of the order and their friends who merely filled the $r\hat{o}le$ of spectators. There was a very large attendance of Foresters, their sweethearts, wives, and families, and it is gratifying to be able to testify to the orderly, creditable behaviour which was practically universal. The outside visitors for all were not Foresters—must have been cynical indeed who did not find something to admire in the little family groups and pic-nic scenes that were everywhere visible about the park. A few rough, uncouth, noisy lads are always unpleasantly prominent on such occasions, but the great majority were honest, hard working, respectable people, who came determined to enjoy themselves rationally, and who succeeded to admiration. Children swarmed, and young babies were by no means wanting. There were fewer than usual of the masqueraders who get themselves up in the dingy "properties" that they fondly imagine to be the costume of Robin Hood and the outlaws of Sherwood. It is only due to the order to state that they do not countenance this expenditure of money that might be much better bestowed. The only recognised insignia are ribbons to indicate different degrees, and a sort of lambskin wallet called the "scrip." Anything beyond that is merely the individual's gratification of that love of finery which seems innate in humanity, and which certainly calls for no very severe reprobation in the case of the Foresters, seeing that they have so many examples set them, by people who claim to be they have so many examples set them by people who claim to be so much superior in wisdom. All the arrangements, both of the Palace and the Railway Company, were excellent, and the *fête* may justly claim to have been a complete success.

On Monday next, the second Polo Pony Flat and Hurdle Races of the season will be run. On Tuesday, Miss Ada Cavendish will appear in Wilkie Collins's play of *The New Magdalen*. On Thursday, the Great Railway Fête in aid of the Railway Benevolent Institution will take place, when there will be endless amusements from nine in the morning until ten at night. On Saturday the first Mexican Mustang Horse-race against time, when Leoni will undertake the unparalleled feat of riding 100 miles in five consecutive hours, on ten Mustang ponies.

THE DRESDEN HORSE SHOW .- Horse shows in Germany have been, up to the present time, the exception, and not the rule, but the Dresdener Show, which held its second annual meet last month, tends to demonstrate that our Teutonic friends will not be far behind us, if they continue in the same rapid strides. On the first day of opening, the King of Saxony, accompanied by the committee, paid a state visit, and was greatly pleased—in fact, surprised—at the vast number of entries, which had by far exceeded highest anticipations. To go into the minute details of the various points and names of successful competitors would be to our readers of little interest; suffice it to say that there were 450 entries, comprising riding, driving, and draught horses of all and every description. Let us wish the Dresdener Horse Show a long and continual success.

Polo. The 1st Life Guards won the return polo-match with POLO.—The 1st Life Guards won the refurn polo-match with the 5th Lancers, at Hurlingham, on Saturday last. The players were:—Ist Life Guards—Captains the Hon. R. Talbot, C. Needham, W. H. Fellowes, E. Dansey, and Mr. J. P. Spicer; umpire—The Hon. Bernard Fitzpatrick. 5th Lancers—Captain R. St. Leger Moore, Major M. P. Blake, Captains J. S. Benyon, E. G. Paley, and Mr. Julian Spicer; umpire—Mr. E. M. Mansel-Pleydell. Lord Henry Vane Tempest fell from his pony, it is said, in a fit. Although stunned with the fall no bones were broken, and his lordship is progressing favourably. The first match and his lordship is progressing favourably. The first match resulted in a tie.

THE RACES AND FETES. - Ladies will find the application of Rowlands' Kalydor cooling and refreshing to the face, removing sunburn, tan, freckles, and discolourations, and rendering the skin soft, clear, and blooming. Price 4s. 6d. and 8s. 6d. per bottle. Sold by Chemists and Perfumers.—[ADVI]

MISCELLANEOUS.

BEDFORD REGATTA has been fixed for Tuesday, the 1st of

August. The entries close on July 27.

Brighton Dog Show.—A dog show on a large scale will be held at Brighton in the third week of October.

Mr. DUTTON COOK has in the press a volume of studies and illustrations of histrionic story, life, and character, to be entitled A Book of the Play."

PERKINS, the champion pedestrian, failed at Edinburgh in his proposed feat at Powder Hall Grounds, of walking eight miles in

an hour, but only by 51 sec.

GAME PROSPECTS.—Experienced keepers say, there has not been a season for twenty years when the prospects of birds being strong and plenty were better than they are at present.

At a shooting-match recently held at Rheims (Marne), M. Bachelard, of Avesnes (Nord), performed the feat of hitting the bull'seve seven times in succession at a distance of 200 yards.

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A CONTEMPORARY states that "the Life Guards and Blues are about to be armed with lances," to which we may add as equally probable, that bows and arrows are about be substituted for rifles.

A RIVER-SIDE CLUB.—A proprietary club, will, it is said, be shortly established on the banks of the Thames, in the vicinity of Richmond, and a committee of influential military officers has been organised to carry out the arrangements.

CAPTAIN MATTHEW WEBB told us last week that, in August

next, he will attempt to swim from the North of Scotland to Ireland. Those who know what this means will fully appreciate the extraordinary courage and confidence of this famous swimmer.

THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS.—The Government have, it is said, expressed their willingness to allot to the Zoological Society in the Regent's Park, a small portion of land on the northern bank of the canal, provided the Society will open their Gardens free for one day in each week. This proposal the Society rejects, on the ground that the Gardens would not contain the crowd who would avail themselves of the privilege.

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THE GUN CLUB.—On Saturday, thirty-one competitors shot for the Stockbridge Optional Handicap at nine birds each, the club giving a £25 cup. At the close of the last round a tie was declared between Mr. Howard S. Jaffray, 28½ yards, and Mr. A. Gillow, 27 yards, each having killed all his birds. On shooting off, Mr. Jaffray killed two out of three, and thus won the cup and £65, Mr. Gillow taking the second money, £10, with one kill less.

BOWLING .- It is the great characteristic of amateur cricket that the practice of bowling is sacrificed to the practice of batting. The difficulties of the bowler are in these days of level grounds inherently greater than the difficulties of batting, and men who play for pleasure will not face them. If, therefore, a good bowler appears in a school or college eleven he is worked to death. He has to bowl and bowl in all sorts of matches, against all sorts of players, and with all sorts of heldsmen. It is no wonder, then, that any eleven of gentlemen find it hard to discover a good beautiful.

Too Much Practice.—As at most games, so at cricket it is possible to have too much practice. Many a good bowler has been ruined, and the vigour has been taken out of many a fine batsman, by a long series of matches, played on perfect wickets, conducive thererefore to long scores, and in distant parts of the country. It would be easy to point to a dozen good men whose continuance in the front rank has been ruined by over-play. And for an important match a certain amount of rest is absolutely necessary. If a man plays too much his muscles get softened, his limbs get wearied, his mind loses its elasticity. As a racehorse does away with much of his chance of success by arriving at the starting post stale and over-trained, so an eleven after a heavy week's play is very likely to find itself less efficient than it was before.

CHESS .- Mr. Blackburne's annual blindfold séance came off at the City of London Chess Club last week, before a large number of spectators. Of the ten games the blindfold performer undertook to conduct he won three, lost one to Mr. Izard, drew three to Messrs. Klein, Detmold, and M'Leod, and three were left unfinished. The next meeting of this prosperous society will be held at the Cheltenham College during the week commencing the good number having already entered for the various tournaments in connection with the association. The chief feature of the meeting will be, as usual, the competition for the challenge cup, which has to be won three times before it can be finally claimed. which has to be won three times before it can be finally claimed. The present holder is Mr. B. W. Fisher, the hon. sec. of the association, who won it last year. Mr. A. Burn, of Liverpool, having won the cup in 1874 and 1873, will finally retain it if he succeeds in carrying off the first prize on the present occasion. All communications should be addressed to the hon. sec. and treasurer, Mr. B. W. Fisher, Berkeley Hall, Cheltenham.

London to York in 24 Hours.—The ride from London to York by that "prince" of the ruffians of the road Dick Turpin has been rivalled by a member of the Pickwick Bicycle Club, who recently held their meeting at the Alexandra Palace. Mr. Stanley Thorse, of Hertford, who has three times previously essayed the

Thorpe, of Hertford, who has three times previously essayed the feat, on the night of the 5th instant started from Highgate Archway at 11.10 p.m., and at 9.40 on the succeeding night reached York, a distance of 195\(^1_4\) miles in 22\(^1_2\) hours. In the spring of 1874 Mr. Thorpe, in company with the Hon. Ion Keith-Falconer, made his first attempt, but the celebrated Cantab gave up at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that at 84 miles and Mr. Thorpe who had a bed fell reliable gave that a second succession of the succession of miles, and Mr. Thorpe, who had a bad fall, relinquished the task at the 112th mile. Last year he tried again, and reached Doncaster (164 miles) in 21½ hours, when he was compelled to give up. Another attempt last month was abandoned at Newark, but nothing discouraged by these failures, Mr. Thorpe has at last succeeded. Mr. Thorpe considers the road a capital one for 84 miles, but from Stamford to Grantham (which is 106 miles from London) it is rough, hard, and hilly. It is also rough all the way from Doncaster to York. Mr. Thorpe only walked up four hills between London and York, but had a severe fall through a dog upsetting him near Newark. The journey was accomplished upon a 50-inch Aviel Ariel.

ANGLING NOTES .- The Maidenhead, Cookham, and Bray Angling Association turned into their waters, on last Saturday, fifty-three more fine trout, measuring from eight to twelve inches each in length. They were of the true Wickham kind, which, as their native stream is a tributary of the Thames, are found to thrive best in the main river; while their size, it would appear by experience, affords them, it is but reasonable to suppose, far greater chances from being seized and at once devoured by the pike, perch, and other predatory fish. On Monday a second instalment of 110 golden bream were turned into the same waters between Maidenhead and Cookham, Mr. H. C, Cooper, the honsec, and treasurer of the Bedford Angling Club, and Mr. H. Thody, one of its committee, having had charge of this acceptable donation from the Ouse. After a day spent in the enjoyment of this charming neighbourhood, and being hospitably entertained by the local committee, they returned to Bedford with a handsome selection of Thames barbel in exchange for the bream, which had been thoughtfully reserved by the anglers from their sport, and carefully kept alive and in excellent condition for transit to the Ouse, in which the presence of this fish has not hitherto been known. Tench up to 4lb each are still being taken in the Thames, more particularly just below Kennington Island, Oxford.

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AIDA.

WE omitted from our critical report of this new opera all notice of the story on which it has been founded. The official synopsis of the plot is bald and obscure, and the story has been so well

of the plot is bald and obscure, and the story has been so well told in the columns of our contemporary The Times, that we prefer to borrow its picturesque narrative, rather than exhibit an affectation of originality in the shape of a paraphrase.

"The interest of Aida is concentrated in the passionate love entertained by two young maidens for one and the same hero. Both are daughters of Kings, though, as we are introduced to them, existing under widely different circumstances. The fortune of war has reduced one of them to the condition of a slave, while the other basks in the sunshine of her high estate. The slave is Aïda, daughter of Amonasro, King of Ethiopia; her rival is Amneris, daughter of the King of Egypt, who, as he has no specific name assigned to him in the book, may be designated indifferently as Pharaoh. The hero who inflames the hearts of Aïda and Amneris is Radamès, a valiant captain in the Egyptian Aïda and Amneris is Radamès, a valiant captain in the Egyptian army. Although the mistress of Aïda, Amneris is not aware that in birth the slave is her equal, but touched by her gentle that in birth the slave is her equal, but touched by her gentle manners and superior intelligence, has taken her into intimate companionship. Add to this that, while unconscious of the affection entertained for him by Egypt's Royal daughter, Radamès is fully aware of Aïda's love, which he reciprocates with ardour. Out of these materials the entire story is evolved. The opera is divided into four acts. In act I news is brought to Memphis that Egypt has once more been invaded by Amonasro, at the head of the Ethiopian host, and that the enemy is already at the gates of Thebes. Whereupon the Oracle being consulted, Radamès is named by Isis as the General who shall conduct the Egyptians to victory. Observ-

Egyptians to victory. Observing the effect produced upon Aida by this intelligence, and by the demeanour of both Aïda and Radamès at their meeting in her presence, the suspicions of Amneris are aroused, and she at once adopts the conclusion that, in her favourite slave, she has now a hated rival. When left alone, the mind of Aïda is distracted by conflicting emotions, the devotion to father, bineven and country on one tions, the devotion to father, kinsmen, and country on one side weighing against her love for the young Egyptian on the other. The ensuing scene, however, in the temple of the god Phthah, amid priests and priestesses performing characteristic ceremonies (among which is conspicuous a 'sacred dance' by the priestesses), finds Radamès invested with the emblems of authority, as commander of the opposing forces. In act 2 the success of the Egyptian arms is announced. Amneris, attiring herself for the pageant intended to celebrate it, and exulting in the immediate return of her hero, affects to console the dejected affects to console the dejected Aïda by the assurance that, what-ever the loss to Ethiopia by discomfiture, it has been cruelly avenged by the death in battle of Egypt'sheroic champion. The deportment of Aïda on hearing this would alone suffice to confirm the suspicions of Amneris, but on telling her rival that she had purposely deceived her, and that Radames still lives, the rap-turous delight of the poor girl turns suspicion into certainty, and pretended sympathy into furious menace; a wretched slave cannot be rival to the daughter of the Pharaohs. At this juncture the fanfare of trum-pets announces Radames's tri-umphal entry at the head of the Egyptian warriors. Dancing girls, bearing the spoils of the enemy, follow in their train, together with the trophies of victory, and numerous prisoners. among whom is King Amonasro, disguised as an ordinary com-batant. Aïda, recognising her father, and unable to put con-straint upon herself, flies into his arms. He adjures her not to arms. He adjures her not to reveal their secret; and as, luckily, her station is unknown to the Egyptians, the life of Amonasro is spared; but, at the admonition of the priests, who, against the wish of the people and the entreaties of Radamès binself cell for the instant sea.

himself, call for the instant sacrifice of all the prisoners, he is ordered to be retained as a hostage for peace, while the others are liberated. The King of Egypt then, as reward for the services of his champion, confers upon Radamès the hand of Amneris, and appoints him successor to the throne. Act 3, nevertheless, shows the inclination of Radamès to be unchangeable. He has given rendezvous to Aïda near the threshold of the temple of Isis, there to declare his still undying affection. Aïda is earliest on the spot, but before the expected arrival of her lovershe is confronted by her father, Amonasro, who, knowing her feelings towards Radames, and aware of the coming interview, induces her with angry threats to wring from him a secret which may compromise the Egyptian army in their approaching contest with the enemy; for the Ethiopians are again under arms, eager to renew the war. In her interview with Radamès, after many protestations on either side, she persuades him, in order to escape from the marriage with Amneris, to fly with her to her own country. Consenting thereto, and indicating the road by which they may fly so as to avoid the Egyptian sol-diers, Radames thoughtlessly names the very path where they were to have taken the Ethiopians by surprise. It is scarcely requisite to add that Amonasro, concealed hard by, has overheard all this, and suddenly reveals himself to the lovers. Overwhelmed with shame at thus having unwittingly betrayed his country, Radamès, after conniving at the escape of Aïda and her father, gives himself up a prisoner to the high priest, Ramphis, who, within the temple, has been aiding Amneris in the customary acts of devotion, anticipatory to her expected nuptials in the morning. Act 4 (the last) discovers Radames condemned by the priestly

tribunal to be entombed alive as a traitor to his country. Amneris promises to save him on condition that he will abandon Aïda and give his undivided affection to her; but Radamès, whose remorse is only equalled by the love he cherishes for the former, morse is only equalled by the love he cherishes for the former, sternly refuses compliance, and, amid the solemn anathema of the priests, unmoved by the agonised supplications of Amneris, now repentant, is consigned to the vault whence he is never again to emerge. There, however, he finds Aïda, as constant in death as in life; and after a duet, which, strangely accompanied as it is by the singing and dancing of the priests and priestesses of Pthah, before the altar of the temple immediately above them, might be shorter, the lovers, sinking into each other's arms, conveniently expire. Thus gloomily ends Aïda, which, to say truth, is made up of little else but gloom from first to last, and at the end becomes oppressive, if only because the fate of the heroine and her lover, to say nothing about the almost equally to be pitied Amneris, is destitute of poetic justice, being in no way accounted for by their actions."

THE THEATRE IN BERLIN.

THE THEATRE, IN BERLIN.

THE Daily News Berlin Correspondent writes:—The "Meininger" are in Berlin again for their annual season. This is the company organised and supported by the Duke of Saxe-Meiningen for the Court Theatre at the ducal residence, which in some respects is the most complete in Germany. His Highness is as passionate a patron of the drama as King Louis of Bavaria is of the opera, but a far more intelligent and scholarly one. He has a theory of the drama, as King Louis has of the opera, and, as illustrated by his troupe, it excites in a narrower circle as much

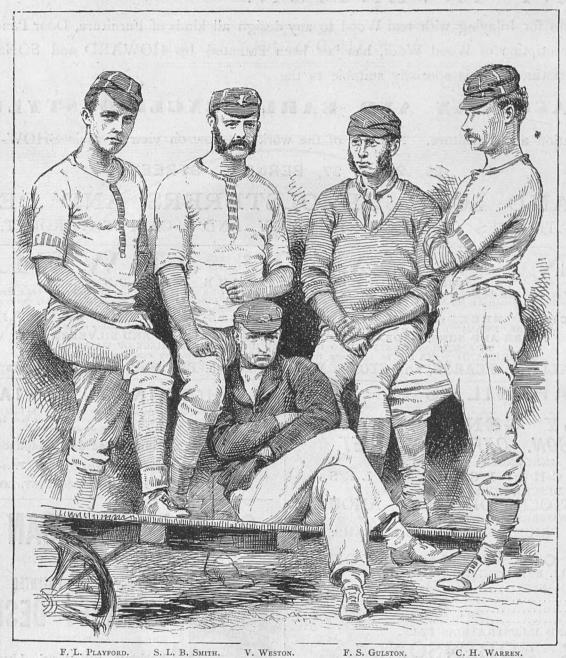
performance of Schiller's William Tell by the "Meininger" one performance of Schiller's William Tell by the "Meininger" one of the actors received a numbers of bouquets thrown from the boxes, whereupon the critic of the Post advised him "to have done with such games." This might be construed to hint that the actor himself had pre-arranged the floral tributes. But the editor of the journal was not a little surprised the next day on receiving at his office a visit from a deputation of ladies, who protested against the insinuation against their favourite, and declared that they threw the bouquets of their own impulse. The editor in his next number meekly apologised.

Now and then one meets povel orders and regulations of

Now and then one meets novel orders and regulations of theatrical managers in this country. I think I wrote you at the time of the proclamation of the Intendant here against high chignons and bonnets. Herr von Hülsen did not indeed actually prohibit and bonnets. Herr von Hülsen did not indeed actually prohibit those remarkable creations of the toilet. But he annexed to the daily programmes for a time an "observation" to the effect that daily programmes for a time an "observation" to the effect that the structures in question were very high and opaque, that many complaints had been sent to him from persons who had suffered from them, and that the circumstance was brought to the notice of those whom it concerned. This postscript no longer appears on the boards, but it is not clear that the evil has abated. In Munich, on the contrary, the trouble was with the too speedy resurrection of corpses. The manager of the Court Theatre was obliged to issue a notice to the public that actors who were killed or died upon the stage, would not be suffered to appear before the curtain to answer calls until the end of the play. There is indeed a certain incongruity in seeing a dead man coming out alive and smiling, to acknowledge a tribute to the skilful manner of his death. But it takes a German manager solemnly to put an end to the incongruity, through the newspapers.

death. But it takes a German manager solemnly to put an end to the incongruity, through the newspapers.

Baron von Hülsen, the intendant of the Royal Theatres here, celebrates this year his 25th anniversary of office. It will be observed after the hearty and demonstrative German feeling. demonstrative German fashion. In the last number of the Gegenwart, Paul Lindau, whose plays the intendant, publishes an interesting review of the operations of the Schauspielhaus, or Royal Theatre, during his administration. It is largely statistical, and full of details which have only a local importance. But it is always interesting for England to know how far Germany surpasses her in the cul-tus of her own great dramatic poet, and I shall therefore give the statistics of Shakspeare. He holds the first place, even above his German rivals. At this single theatre during the past twenty-five years there have been given twenty-two different plays of Shakspeare, and a total of eight hundred and eighty-three representations. Benedix, in-deed, exceeds in the total number of representations, though not in the variety of plays. But there were in many cases little farces, pieces of one or two acts, which filled out a programme, whereas Shakspeare demanded whereas Shakspeare demanded every time a whole evening for himself. Among the classic authors, Schiller comes next, with thirteen plays and six hundred and one evenings. The other dramatists in the order are Goethe, Lessing, Heinrich von Kleist, Molière, Calderon, and Sophocles. It must be understood that "runs" are unknown at this theatre. The programme is changed every evening, and at this theatre. The programme is changed every evening, and even a novelty is seldom given oftener than twice a week. And it must also be remembered, if one wishes a complete appreciation of Shakspeare's place at Berlin, that besides the single Royal Theatre, with the system and results above described, there are half-a-dozen other theatres, where Shakspeare is there are half-a-dozen other theatres, where Shakspeare is given, and where, with favourite "stars," his plays not unfrequently have runs of several weeks. In a comparison of Berlin with London as cities these facts would be taken into account. But taking the Royal Theatre alone, with its system account. But taking the Royal Theatre alone, with its system as it is, we feel constrained to ask our readers—Can any stage now existing where Shakspeare's own tongue is spoken, show within the last twenty-five years



LONDON versus FRANKFORT-THE WINNING CREW.

controversy as Wagner's great creations. Like Wagner he gives great importance to spectacular effect. But unlike Wagner he gives even more importance to the equilibrium, or just distribution, of all the elements of the spectacle. The appointments are not sacrificed for the actors, nor the actors for the appointments, but an artistic harmony is preserved between these two, and between all the details of each. There is not one splendid scene which has been organized at the cost of all the others; there is no star who only reveals the poverty of his support. Not the slighest detail is neglected. The scenes are arranged by the Duke himself, who in every case makes careful studies an Ort und Stelle; the costumes are based on the most thorough historic research. Accordingly, though the company boasts no great tragedians, its work, as a whole, is always an exquisite piece of dramatic art. It renders of course only the grand classic tragedies of Schiller, Shakspeare, and the other masters. The critics of this company, who renew their assaults annually, as it comes to Berlin, admit that its work is perfect of the kind; but they argue that the true aim of a great drama is not to produce a pretty picture, but to awaken the grander passions, and that this is more effectively done by the pre-eminence of one or two leading actors throwing all their own power, and drawing all the feelings of the audience, into the one or two leading characters. It is an interesting question, and it can merely be stated here; but if only for throwing light upon their side of it, the annual visit of the "Meininger" is welcomed by all frends of the classic drama.

The Post Newspaper got into a singular embarrassment through the too free exercise of the spirit of criticism. One evening, at the

so many different plays and so many representations of the great

A NEW PARASITE OF THE HORSE.—A lecture was lately given at the Agricultural Club in Berlin on a recently-discovered parasite of the horse, the Strongylus Armatus. Careful examination, which has taken place at the Veterinary College, Berlin, shows that about ninety-four per cent. of all horses are more or less infected with this hurtful parasite, the Strongylus Armatus, whose mouth (when the parasite is of full growth) is provided with sharp prickles, which facilitate a speedy piercing of the skin, passing through a triple stage of development. The eggs laid in the colon, the abode of the fully-developed animal, are carried out with the excrements, and pass from thence to the stages of embryo and larva. This larva is brought, in a manner which has ont hitherto been explained, again into the horse, and establishes itself firmly in the foremost mesenteric artery, but wanders, after attaining full development, into the colon. Here coition takes place, and the course begins anew. While in the mesenteric artery, the Strongylus Armatus is, in the first place, the cause of aneurism or dilatation of the artery, and, in the second place, produces trombi, clots of coagulated blood, which often attain such dimensions that the artery is completely stopped up, or that pieces detach themselves from them, which, on their part, likewise lead to stoppage. In both cases the horse dies of colic. Unfortunately, no remedy for curative application has yet been